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OF THE

GENERAL ASSOCIATION

OF

CONGREGATIONAL CHURCHES AND MINISTERS

OF

ILLINOIS,

AT THEIR

TWENTY-FOURTH ANNUAL MEETING,

HELD IN

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1867—'68.

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Rev. JOHN WINCHESTER CASS, of Sandwich.

THE next meeting will be held in JACKSONVILLE, commencing Wednesday evening, May 27th, 1868, and continuing over the Sabbath. Preacher of the Associational Sermon, Rev. LATHROP TAYLOR, of Farmington; his alternate, Rev. J. M. VAN WAGNER, of Kewanee.

Essay: The relation of Installation to the Pastorate, by Rev. SAMUEL C. BARTLETT, of Chicago.

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MINUTES

OF THE

GENERAL ASSOCIATION OF ILLINOIS.

The General Association of Illinois convened for its Twenty-fourth Annual Meeting, in the Congregational Church at Champaign, Wednesday evening, May 22d, 1867.

The opening sermon, in the absence of the Moderator, was preached by Rev. Wm. G. Pierce, of Elmwood. Text—1st Cor. I: 23, 24. Theme—*The secret of the power whereby Christ arrests and saves sinful men.*

After sermon, the Association was called to order, and adjourned till 8 o'clock, Thursday morning.

Thursday, 8 A. M.

The Association spent one hour in devotional exercises, Rev. F. Bascom presiding, after which the Pastor of the Church with whom the Association met called the meeting to order, and Rev. Wm. L. Bray was chosen Scribe, and Rev. John W. Cass, Assistant Scribe.

The Roll of the Association was made out as follows:

BUREAU ASSOCIATION.

Ministers—F. Bascom, Chas. Hancock, E. P. Ingersoll, A. Lyman, J. M. Van Wagner—5.

Delegate—Wm. H. Wynn, *Mendota*—1.

CENTRAL ASSOCIATION.

Ministers—W. H. Daniels, Lemuel Leonard, R. L. McCord—3.

CENTRAL EAST ASSOCIATION.

Ministers—F. W. Beecher, J. Brundage, Geo. Schlosser, S. A. VanDyke, C. L. Watson—5.

Delegates—A. H. Baily, *Rantoul;* H. Beardsley, *Champaign;* U. Copp, Jr., *Loda;* H. Frisbie, *Onarga*—4.

CENTRAL WEST ASSOCIATION.

MINISTERS—Edward Beecher, E. Jenney, Wm. G. Pierce, H. G. Pendleton, A. L. Pennoyer, L. Taylor, A. A. Whitmore, J. D. Wyckoff—8.

DELEGATES—Frank Hayward, *Brimfield;* N. B. Huntington, 1*st Cong'l Church, Galesburg;* Moses Pettengill, *Peoria;* A. B. Thomas, *Farmington*—4.

CHICAGO ASSOCIATION.

MINISTERS—E. C. Barnard, S. C. Bartlett, H. W. Cobb, J. J. A. T. Dixon, J. P. Gulliver, H. L. Hammond, J. W. Healy, Lewis E. Matson, W. W. Patton, J. E. Roy, J. R. Shipherd—11.

DELEGATES—D. S. Dunning, *Jefferson;* L. H. Holmes, *New Eng. Church, Chicago;* O. S. Hough, *Plymouth Church, Chicago*—3.

ELGIN ASSOCIATION.

MINISTERS—G. S. F. Savage, Isaac B. Smith—2.

DELEGATE—J. N. Davidson, *Elgin*—1.

FOX RIVER UNION.

MINISTERS—J. Blanchard, Wm. L. Bray, John W. Cass, Edward Ebbs, E. N. Lewis, James Loughead, A. L. Riggs, U. W. Small, J. W. West—9.

DELEGATES—S. P. Bushnell, *Lisbon;* D. Chase, *Plymouth Church, Ottawa*—2.

GENESEO ASSOCIATION.

MINISTER—Harry Brickett—1.

NORTH WESTERN ASSOCIATION.

MINISTER—Azariah Hyde—1.

QUINCY ASSOCIATION.

MINISTERS—Wm. Carter, S. Hopkins Emery, Cephas A. Leach—3.

DELEGATES—Willard Keyes, 1*st Cong'l Church, Quincy;* Giles Penstone, *Griggsville;* J. K. Scarborough, *Payson*—3.

ROCKFORD ASSOCIATION.

MINISTERS—H. M. Daniels, H. M. Goodwin, M. P. Kinney—3.

DELEGATE—R. L. Wells, *Winnebago*—1.

SOUTHERN ASSOCIATION.

MINISTERS—Wm. E. Holyoke, J. R. Kennedy, J. M. Sturtevant, Henry M. Tupper—4.

DELEGATES—J. T. Chandler, *Chandlerville;* Samuel Moulton, *Waverly;* Lemuel Parsons, *Rosemond*—3.

CORRESPONDING MEMBERS.

J. R. Barnes, General Association of Connecticut.
Wm. E. Catlin, Synod of Illinois.
A. H. Clapp, Secretary, American Home Missionary Society, New York.
Nehemiah Cobb, Cleveland and Portage Presbytery.
W. S. Curtis, President of Knox College.
W. A. Farnsworth, Missionary of A. B. C. F. M., Western Turkey.
S. W. Hanks, Dis. Sec. American Seaman's Friend Society, Boston.
J. H. Harris, Dist. Sec. American and Foreign Christian Union, Aurora.
Robt. Hovenden, Central North Congregational Association, Ohio.
E. Frank Howe, Indiana General Association.
S. J. Humphrey, Dist. Sec. Am. Board of Com. for For. Missions, Chicago.
H. G. McArthur, Pres. and Congregational Convention, Wisconsin.
A. S. McCoy, Illinois Conference, Methodist Episcopal Church.
Geo. McKinley, Bloomington Presbytery, (O. S.)
E. K. Miller, Wisconsin General Conference.
Chas. Nott, Bloomington Presbytery.
H. G. Nott, Bloomfield Baptist Association, Illinois.
Ray Palmer, Secretary, American Congregational Union, New York.
A. L. Payson, Kalamazoo Presbytery.
Samson Shinn, Illinois Conference, Methodist Episcopal Church.
H. Vallette Warren, Ripley Presbytery.
Geo. W. Wood, Sec. Am. Board of Com. for Foreign Missions. New York.

DELEGATES FROM CORRESPONDING BODIES.

S. G. Buckingham, from the General Conference of Massachusetts.
Alfred Connet, from the General Association of Indiana.
C. H. Pratt, from the General Conference of Missouri.

Rev. M. P. Kinney was chosen Moderator and, on taking the chair, led the Association in prayer.

The reading of the Minutes of the last meeting, by vote, was dispensed with, and printed copies were distributed among the members.

The Moderator appointed the following Committees:

On Business—Rev's Wm. G. Pierce, Wm. Carter, G. S. F. Savage, and Bro's S. P. Bushnell, O. S. Hough.

On Religious Exercises—Rev's S. A. Van Dyke, Geo. Schlosser and Bro. H. Beardsley.

To Audit Accounts—Bro's L. H. Holmes, Willard Keyes, N. B. Huntington.

On Leave of Absence—Rev's L. Taylor, J. J. A. T. Dixon and Bro. J. K. Scarborough.

Rev. J. Blanchard, Chairman of the Committee appointed by the Association last year on the Results of the National Council, reported. The report was accepted, and after some discussion, recommitted. On motion, Rev. J. P. Gulliver was added to the original Committee.

The following amendment to the Rules of Business, presented by Rev. A. Lyman, at the last meeting of the Association, was adopted and ordered to be printed, as Rule 15:

The Reports from Local Associations and Churches on the state of religion, shall be the order of the day on Friday, at 9 o'clock, A. M., and Reports from Corresponding Bodies at 3 o'clock, P. M., of the same day.

The Business Committee reported in part, and the report, so far as made, was accepted.

The Moderator appointed Rev's Edward Beecher, J. P. Gulliver, S. C. Bartlett, a committee to report on the subject of a Religious Paper.

Also a Committee, consisting of Rev's A. L. Riggs, F. W. Beecher, J. E. Roy, Edward Ebbs, to consider and report upon the overture of the Fox River Union concerning the re-adjustment of the bounds of the local Associations.

On motion, it was ordered that the sessions of this Association begin at 8, A. M., 2 and 7½, P. M., and close at 12, M., and 5, P. M.

On motion, it was ordered, that the Secretaries and Treasurers of the several benevolent objects, in making their reports, omit the reading of the specific contributions of the several Churches.

THURSDAY, 2 P. M.

The afternoon session was opened with prayer by Rev. A Hyde.

The order of the day was taken up, and Rev. W. L. Bray reported contributions of the Churches to the American Board of Commissioners for Foreign Missions. Also,

Rev. Wm. E. Holyoke reported contributions to the American Congregational Union.

Rev. Wm. Carter, to the American and Foreign Christian Union.

Rev. J. R. Shipherd, to the American Missionary Association.

Rev. S. C. Bartlett, to the Western Education Society.

Rev. G. S. F. Savage, to the Tract Cause.

Rev. J. E. Roy, to the American Home Missionary Society.

These reports were accepted, and ordered to be printed.

The Business Committee made an additional report, which was accepted.

Rev. A. L. Riggs, appointed last year a Committee on the subject of Temperance read a report, which was accepted and after some earnest discussion, was referred to a Committee of three, with instructions to bring in resolutions expressing the views of the Association on the subject. Rev's Wm. G. Pierce, J. M. Sturtevant, J. M. Van Wagner, were appointed such Committee.

Rev. S. W. Hanks addressed the Association for fifteen minutes in behalf of the American Seaman's Friend Society.

Rev. G. S. F. Savage spoke in behalf of the Amer. Tract Society, Boston.

Rev. J. H. Harris spoke for the Am. and Foreign Christian Union.

The Chicago Theological Seminary was represented by its Treasurer, Rev. H. L. Hammond, and also by Rev. S. C. Bartlett, who afterwards presented the claims of the Western Education Society.

Rev. J. Blanchard introduced a resolution against aiding Free Masons and Odd Fellows in studying for the ministry, from the funds intrusted to the Western Education Society, which resolution, after considerable discussion, was indefinitely postponed.

A Committee on Tabular Statistics was called for and appointed, as follows: Rev's E. N. Lewis, L. E. Matson, C. A. Leach. Also, a Committee to secure reduction of railroad fare to members of this Association: Rev's H. M. Daniels, F. W. Beecher, and Bro. J. N. Davidson.

The Association then took a recess till 7½ P.M., closing with prayer by Rev. E. N. Lewis.

THURSDAY, 7½ P. M.

The Associational Sermon was preached by Rev. J. P. Gulliver. Text, James 5: 7, 8. Theme—*The growth and destruction of moral evil subject to fixed laws.*

FRIDAY, 8 A. M.

The Association spent one hour in devotional exercises, led by Rev. S. Hopkins Emery, of Quincy.

The Minutes were read and approved. After which, the Moderator appointed the following Committees:

On Narrative of the State of Religion—Rev's Edward Ebbs, L. E. Matson, C. A. Leach.

On Preacher and Place of Next Meeting—Rev's Azariah Hyde, Harry Brickett, J. R. Kennedy.

On Subject and Writer of Essay—Rev's Wm. E. Holyoke, F. Bascom, J. Brundage.

To Nominate Delegates to Foreign Bodies—Rev's H. L. Hammond, U. W. Small and Bro. L. H. Holmes.

On motion, it was voted to appoint a committee to report on the time and place for observing the Quarter Centenary of the General Association of Illinois; also, one to whom should be referred certain questions proposed to the Association through the Business Committee.

The former Committee consisted of Rev's H. M. Goodwin, H. G. Pendleton, J. E. Roy.

The latter Committee, Rev's J. M. Sturtevant, S. C. Bartlett, J. M. Van Wagner.

The Business Committee further reported—that Wheaton, Illinois, Beloit and Knox Colleges have a hearing, through their Faculty, each ten minutes, immediately after the report of Delegates from Corresponding Bodies, this (Friday) afternoon. Also, that the American Tract Society (New York) be heard, five minutes, on Saturday afternoon, through B. T. Eastman, Agent. It was so ordered by Association.

The Committee to whom was recommitted the Report on the National Council, recommended that the same be accepted and printed with the Minutes for the information of the Churches; it being understood, that the Association expresses no opinion concerning the views therein contained on the subject of Eldership. (See Appendix, A.)

The order of the day was then taken up and the Narrative of the State of Religion was given by

Rev. A. Lyman, for the Bureau Association.
Rev. W. H. Daniels, for the Central Association.
Rev. F. W. Beecher, for the Central East Association.
Rev. J. D. Wyckoff, for the Central West Association.
Rev. E. C. Barnard, for the Chicago Association.
Rev. Isaac B. Smith, for the Elgin Association.

The order of the day was here suspended to listen to the Essay on the Christian Sabbath, by Rev. Edward Beecher. After hearing the Essay, the Association voted its thanks to the writer, and requested

him to complete the discussion and offer it to the American Tract Society (Boston), for publication.

The Treasurer's report was read and referred to the Auditing Committee.

Rev. F. Bascom, Treasurer of the fund for the families of deceased and disabled ministers, reported, and this report, also, was referred to the Auditing Committee.

The Association took a recess until 2 P. M.

FRIDAY, 2 P. M.

The Association was opened with prayer by Rev. Lemuel Leonard.

The Narrative of the State of Religion was then resumed, and reported by

Rev. W. L. Bray, for the Fox River Union.

Rev. Harry Brickett, for the Geneseo Association.

Rev. A. Hyde, for the North Western Association.

Rev. S. H. Emery, for the Quincy Association.

Rev. H. M. Goodwin, for the Rockford Association.

Rev. H. M. Tupper, for the Southern Association.

The Association was then addressed in behalf of the A. B. C. F. M., by Rev's S. J. Humphrey, Dist. Secretary, Chicago; W. A. Farnsworth, Missionary, Western Turkey, and Geo. W. Wood, Secretary of the Board at New York.

These addresses were followed by others from Rev's H. W. Cobb, Agent, and J. R. Shipherd, Secretary of the American Missionary Association, who spoke in behalf of the work now being prosecuted by this Society among the Freedmen.

The Committee on Religious Exercises presented a report, which was accepted and adopted. (See Appendix, B.)

The Committee on Essay and Essayist for next year, reported as follows: Subject, The Relation of Installation to the Pastorate. Essayist, Rev. S. C. Bartlett.

The Auditing Committee reported that they had examined the accounts put into their hands and found them correct: The Report of Treasurer of the General Association, (See. Appendix, C.) and Report of Treasurer of Fund for the families of deceased and disabled ministers. (See Appendix, D.)

The Delegates of Corresponding Bodies were heard in behalf of their respective Bodies, as follows:

Rev. S. G. Buckingham represented the General Conference of Massachusetts.

Rev. C. H. Pratt represented the General Conference of Missouri.

Rev. Alfred Connet represented the General Association of Indiana.

Letters were read from Rev. Wm. W. Rose, Delegate of the General Association of Nebraska; Rev. George Moar, Delegate of the General Association of California; Rev. George H. Atkinson, Delegate of the General Association of Oregon; Rev. Edward Hildreth, Delegate of the General Conference of Minnesota; Rev. A. L. Chapin, Delegate of the General Convention of Wisconsin, and a Circular Letter from the General Association of Kansas.

The Reports of Delegates from this Association to Corresponding Bodies were presented.

The Corresponding Secretary made his report, which was accepted.

The Report of the Committee to nominate Delegates to Corresponding Bodies was made, and adopted. (See Appendix, E.)

The order of the day being the hearing of reports from Colleges President Wm. S. Curtis spoke in behalf of Knox College; Rev. G. S. F. Savage, in behalf of Beloit College.

The hour for adjournment having come, it was voted that this subject be the order of the day for to-morrow morning at 9 o'clock, each speaker being limited to ten minutes.

Association took a recess till 7½ P. M.

FRIDAY, 7½ P. M.

The Association held a Home Missionary meeting. Prayer was offered by Rev. Mr. Howe, of Indiana. Addresses were made by Rev. Ray Palmer, for the Congregational Union; by Rev's A. H. Clapp, Wm. G. Pierce and President J. M. Sturtevant, in behalf of the American Home Missionary Society.

SATURDAY, 8 A. M.

The Association met and spent the first hour in devotional exercises, led by Rev. Ray Palmer, of New York.

The Minutes were read and approved.

The Business Committee reported a recommendation that the order of the day, to follow the presentation of the Colleges, be postponed till the afternoon session, and that the report of the Committee on Religious Paper take its place.

The report was received and its recommendation adopted.

On motion, it was voted that the Committee on Temperance Resolutions report immediately after the report of the Committee on Religious Paper.

The Committee appointed to consider the question of observing the Quarter Centenary of the General Association of Illinois, reported, recommending that the same be observed at Farmington, the place where the Association was organized in 1844, and that the time be 1869, when twenty-five full years of its history will have been completed.

The Report and its recommendation were adopted.

The order of the day being taken up, President Blanchard was heard in behalf of Wheaton College, and President Sturtevant in behalf of Illinois College.

The Committee on Religious Paper reported, and their Report was adopted. (See Appendix, F.)

Rev. W. W. Patton offered a supplementary Resolution on the same subject, which was also adopted. (See Appendix, F.)

The Railroad Committee made a report, which was accepted and ordered to be printed in the Minutes. (See Appendix, G.)

The Association then took a recess until 2 P. M.

SATURDAY, 2 P. M.

The afternoon session was opened with prayer by Rev. H. G. McArthur.

The Committee on Temperance reported resolutions which were adopted and ordered to be printed in the Minutes. (See Appendix, H.)

On motion, the Treasurer of the Association was instructed to pay Rev. A. L. Riggs the amount of expenses incurred by him in procuring facts on the subject of Temperance and preparing his report.

Voted, that Rev. W. G. Pierce be requested to prepare a copy of the sermon delivered by him at the opening of the Association, and present it to the *American Pulpit* for publication.

Rev. W. W. Patton introduced a Resolution concerning the work of the American Missionary Association among the Freedmen, which was adopted. (See Appendix, I.)

Rev. F. Bascom, according to appointment last year, reported Resolutions concerning the propriety of ministers engaging in non-preaching Agencies. The Resolutions were accepted and adopted. (See Appendix, J.)

Rev. Edward Beecher, Committee on Manual for the use of Congregational Churches, made a verbal report. The report was received,

and on motion it was voted, that Rev. Edward Beecher be requested to present his Manual (before approved of by this Association) for publication to the Congregational Board of Publication, or to the Massachusetts Tract Society, at his option.

Rev. J. Blanchard offered a protest against the indefinite postponement of his resolution concerning the aid rendered young men, who are Odd Fellows or Free Masons, from the funds of the Western Education Society. On motion, the protest was received and placed on file.

The Association unanimously re-elected Rev. Martin K. Whittlesey, of Ottawa, Corresponding Secretary and Treasurer, and Rev. S. Hopkins Emery, of Quincy, Registrar and Statistical Secretary.

Rev. Alfred L. Riggs was re-appointed Central Committee on Temperance.

The Committee on place of next meeting and preacher, recommended Jacksonville as the place, and Rev. Lathrop Taylor, of Farmington, as preacher, with Rev. J. M. Van Wagner as alternate. The report was accepted and adopted.

Bro. Eastman, Agent of the American Tract Society (New York), addressed the Association for five minutes, on the claims of that Society.

The Committee on the overture of the Fox River Union presented a Report, which was accepted, adopted and ordered to be printed in the Minutes. (See Appendix, K.)

The Committee on Tabular Statistics made both a majority and a minority Report. The Reports were accepted, and the Association adopted the minority Report. (See Appendix, L.)

The Association also adopted a Resolution on the subject of blanks for the use of the Registrars. (See Appendix, L.)

Voted, that a tax of four (4) cents per member be assessed upon the Churches connected with this Association.

On motion, it was voted, that at the next meeting of the Association one evening be devoted to a consideration of the subject of Amusements—an Essay to be read by Rev. W. W. Patton, and the discussion to be opened by Rev. Edward Beecher.

The Resolution concerning Fœticide was taken from the table and adopted. (See Appendix, M.)

Rev. Flavel Bascom was re-elected Treasurer of the Fund for the families of deceased and disabled ministers.

The Secretaries and Treasurers for the various Benevolent Societies were re-appointed.

On motion, the cordial thanks of the Association were tendered the families in Champaign, for their liberal entertainment of its members.

The thanks of the Association were also voted the Moderator, for the dignity and decision with which he has presided during the present meeting.

The Association voted to adjourn after the services of to-morrow (the Sabbath), to meet in Jacksonville, on the fourth Wednesday of May, 1868, at 7½ o'clock.

Adjourned with prayer by the Moderator.

SABBATH, May 26.

Members of the Association filled the various pulpits of Champaign and Urbanna, according to appointment. Communion services were held in the Congregational Church at 3 P. M. At the close of which, Rev. Edward Ebbs read the Narrative of the State of Religion. (See Appendix, N.)

At the close of the Sabbath services, the Association, according to previous vote, stood adjourned.

MARTIN P. KINNEY, *Moderator.*

WILLIAM L. BRAY, *Scribe.*

JOHN W. CASS, *Assistant Scribe.*

Minutes attested by S. HOPKINS EMERY, *Registrar.*

EXTRACTS FROM THE EARLIEST RECORDS

OF THE

GENERAL ASSOCIATION OF ILLINOIS.

As a matter of interest in the present, and all future time, to such as love to look at the beginning of things, extracts are given below from the earliest records of the *General Association of Illinois:*

"Pursuant to adjournment, the Convention of Ministers and Delegates to form a General Congregational Association of Illinois, met at Farmington, Fulton Co., June 21, 1824. The meeting was called to order by Rev. William Carter, and Rev. Daniel Chapman was appointed Chairman, and Rev. J. T. Holmes, Secretary. The Convention being duly organized, was opened with prayer by Rev. J. Cross. The following Ministers were present: Daniel Chapman, Fulton Co.; John Cross, Lee Co.; William Carter, Pike Co.; M. N. Miles, Fulton Co.; C. B. Barton, Peoria Co.; Charles Adams, Putnam Co.; S. G. Wright, Stark Co.; J. T. Holmes, Pike Co.; R. M. Pearson, Ogle Co. Corresponding Members: Lucius H. Parker, Knox Co.; George Pyle, Peoria Co.; and Peter Jones, H. Styles, H. Martin, Methodist Ministers. The following Delegates were also present, and took part in the deliberations: Phineas Chapman, Fulton Co.; Charles Kirkpatrick, Canton, Fulton Co.; Porter Colton, Pike Co.; Calvin Cass, Newbury, Peoria Co.; Jabez Simpson, Providence, Putnam Co. Committee on Business: Rev. Messrs. Cross, Carter and Miles. Committee on Religious Exercises: Rev. Messrs. Miles, Barton, and Bro. P. Chapman."

The Business Committee reported a Constitution and Confession of Faith, which, after a full discussion, were adopted, and with no essential modification, continue to the present time. Strong and positive ground, as to the iniquity of American Slavery, and the sin of complicity with it, was taken, and has been ever since maintained.

"On motion, it was resolved, that we now proceed to the organization of the Association—when the following named Ministers signed the Constitution and Confession of Faith: Daniel Chapman, Lucius H. Parker, Milo N. Miles, Samuel G. Wright, William Carter, Charles Adams, John Cross, R. M. Pearson, Joseph T. Holmes—9. The Association then elected the following officers for the ensuing year: William Carter, Moderator; J. T. Holmes, Corresponding Secretary, and M. N. Miles, Registrar. On motion, it was resolved to hold the next meeting at Princeton. Horatio Foote was appointed the first, and Daniel Chapman the second Preacher for the next meeting.

"*Resolved*, That the Corresponding Secretary be instructed to procure the publication of an abstract of Minutes in the Western Citizen, and New York Evangelist and Observer. Bro. R. M. Pearson was appointed a Delegate to the General Association of Wisconsin.

"Adjourned with prayer and singing the Doxology.

"Attest: J. T. HOLMES, *Secretary*."

APPENDIX.

(A.)

REPORT of Committee on the Results of the National Congregational Council, held in Boston, June, 1865. (*See Minutes, p. 8.*)

The Committee on the Results of the above Council, appointed by this General Association at Ottawa, last year, 1866, hereby respectfully report:

That the said Council was, in some of its aspects, one of the most remarkable bodies of men that ever assembled. As sixteen of its members were from foreign countries, it might be called an *Ecumenical* instead of *National* Council, with as much propriety as some of the bodies meeting in London or Paris have been called World's Conventions.

OTHER COUNCILS.

The Boston Council was peculiar in that it was an extempore Council, caused by no previous religious agitations or discussions. The first similar Council, or Synod, met at Cambridge, (then Newtown) Mass., in 1637, to condemn the turbulent errors of Mistress Ann Hutchinson. The Synod of 1646–48 was called on motion of the Massachusetts Legislature, by pious and far-seeing statesmen, who feared lest the churches, planted far apart in openings made in the wilderness, should come to have no common faith and worship, and so the country, whose citizens they were, fall into factions and become an easy prey to the crowned and mitred despots from whom they had fled in the old country. They adopted "for substance" the Westminster Confession, one article of which is, that the Bible is the only rule and arbiter in religion.

The General Congregational Convention, in 1852, had a somewhat similar object to that in 1648. The children of New England in the West, like their early forefathers, were pioneers in new settlements, and resembled their forefathers in their sentiments, zeal and courage. Samuel Adams—called the Father of the American Revolution, when his wife received the present of a slave, said promptly—"*A slave cannot live in my house; if she comes, she must be set free.*"* Like the men of that day, the Western Congregationalists were generally abolitionists, and the great unscriptural church organizations which sheltered slaveholders in their communions, in order to break our influence against the slave-power, widely dispersed suspicions that Western Congregationalists were heretical and unsound. The Convention of 1852, at Albany, N. Y., was called to dispel these suspicions, and it accomplished the proposed end.

But the Boston Council was preceded by no such causes calculated to fix opinion and determine results. By the fall of American Slavery, the largest and pleasantest part of the United States, containing four millions of emancipated slaves, and an equal number of free persons as ignorant and depraved as they, was thrown open to the gospel, and five hundred and sixteen delegates were sent to Boston by churches situated all the way from the Atlantic to the Pacific seaboard, in the words of the preliminary committee—"to consider the present exigencies and opportunities of the kingdom of Christ."

These words of the Committee seem little less than sublime. Nothing sectarian, arrogant, divisive, ecclesiastical or stereotyped—they met, in short,

*Life of Samuel Adams, vol. I, p. 138.

to devise means to "preach the gospel to every creature," and amid the stupendous changes occurring, to ask the Savior, as Saul did—"What wilt Thou have us to do?"

THE CALL.

The Call for the Boston Council originated in this State. It was suggested early in the spring of 1864, by Warren Currier, Esq., of St. Louis, a delegate from the Congregational Church in that city to the Southern Association of Illinois. The Triennial Convention at Chicago responded in April of that year, and at Quincy, May 27th following, this General Association of Illinois "*Resolved*, That a Convention be invited," etc.; and all the other State Associations in the country, New Hampshire only excepted, concurred in the Call. Thus, while no State Association should let THE RESULTS of the great Council easily glide into oblivion, it seems specially fitting that we should review and re-impress them upon our memories.

THE OPENING SERMON.

The opening sermon, by President Sturtevant, was widely regarded as the ablest production of his long and earnest public life. The Council itself was unsectarian. It recognized the existence and rights, hailed the endeavors, and invited the fellowship of other Churches of Christ. *But it did not hail their errors.* Neither did it stultify itself by seeming to assume that they had no errors—by treating them as equally scriptural with itself. If other denominations are as scriptural as ourselves, why should we have a denomination of our own? Why need our fathers have left England for Holland—or Holland for Plymouth? Either the Independency of the local Churches, or centralized Church-governments are—must be—mischievous errors.

So President Sturtevant thought, and he *uttered* his thoughts. After noting the interesting fact that Independency is the indigenous growth of this country, he held the following language:

"No centralized church-government ever originated in this country, nor in any other country enjoying full religious liberty. Our Presbyterianism all sprung from the State Churches of Geneva, Holland and Scotland. Its organization did not begin with the people and grow up into an Assembly. It was an Ecclesiastico-political system through which a State Church could control the religious interests of a nation. Presbyterianism has greatly multiplied its sects in this country by subdivisions of itself. But the system itself, freedom never generated in a free country, nor is there any proof that it could. As to the Papal and Episcopal systems of government, the case is plainer still. We can only recognize them as offshoots of the civil and military systems of imperial Rome and the middle ages, transplanted to this land of freedom."

After these utterances, showing that all systems of centralized church-government are the lineal descendants of despotism, he declares his faith in the Congregational System, not as a bland and timid competitor among equal sects, but as that system which must prevail if the Bible does—"a method," quoting his own words, "by which the whole church of God under heaven may stand in blessed moral unity, on the basis of the gospel, the whole gospel, and nothing but the gospel—divided and distracted by no forms or ceremonies, or governments that man hath devised." And he then adds words which should be stamped in golden letters on the walls of every Congregational minister's study: "*We must make this Ecclesiastical question one of principle—otherwise we cannot be efficient laborers for the Evangelization of this continent and the world!*"

It was under the stimulus of such sentiments the Council addressed itself to the work of Evangelizing this Continent.

THE FUNDS.

For this purpose, the Council voted in behalf of its churches to raise, if possible, seven hundred and fifty thousand dollars—a full three-quarters of a million of money for the current year, viz: For Home Missions, $300,000;

for the American Missionary Association, $250,000, and for the Congregational Union, $200,000—all for the home work. And though the entire sum was not reached, more than half a million was reached. And while thus vastly enlarging the work committed to us, other denominations, roused by our example, enlarged their contributions in like proportion, so that it is not too much to say that the Boston Council, by their effort to enlarge our funds for benevolent home uses, inaugurated a movement which has poured down millions at the Savior's feet.

CONFESSIONS OF FAITH.

But the most striking features of the great Council were its action and its *non-action* on the subjects of Confessions of Faith and of Church Polity. It is a curious coincidence that three different papers were presented on each subject; and though all six were generally acquiesced in and printed, *neither was fully adopted by the Council!* Even the historic Confession, adopted by the Assembly at Burial Hill, had two negative votes and one protest from the multitude, and the paper itself was remanded to a committee of revision, as promised before it passed!

And yet it would not be difficult to prove that the most rationally and intelligently homogeneous body of men, as to their religious belief, perhaps ever assembled, *was precisely that multitude at Burial Hill*—met without preconcert or previous discussion on faith and polity—met suddenly, for so great a body—called together at the suggestion of a brother who was not even a minister—met in the most perfect and absolute freedom of opinion and of speech, respectfully receiving, recording and publishing a protest from an octogenarian in his second childhood—receiving, reporting and printing resolutions on temperance, tobacco, secret societies, and whatever else concerns the morals of the people and divides the religious judgment of men! and yet in all that vast concourse of enlightened and cultivated men and women, there was a known and declared unity of religious belief, so entire and perfect that, whether the word *Calvinism* should be omitted or retained, was *one* of the most, if not *the* most important point raised by those who objected to the formulas presented.

True, the confessions presented were compendious, short, and confined mainly to those points essential to a man's salvation by Christ. But though *short*, they were not *vague* or pointless. And the one finally adopted, under revision, though the most carefully drawn of the three, is yet so explicit that no Deist, Unitarian, Universalist, or other practical rejecter of Christ, could or would accept it! These are the solemn words of the Burial Hill Confession:

"We reiterate our adherence to the faith and order of the Apostolic and Primitive Churches, as held by our Fathers, and as substantially embodied in the Confessions and Platforms which our Synods of 1648 and 1680 set forth or reaffirmed.

We confess the common sinfulness and ruin of our race, and that it is only through the work accomplished by the life and expiatory death of Christ, that we are justified before God, and receive remission of sins.

We believe in the final judgment, the issues of which are eternal life and everlasting punishment."

These brief extracts from that brief historic Confession contain, clear and explicit, that doctrine of salvation by faith in Christ which the world hates; and that doctrine of eternal punishment which, being omitted, leaves the government of God without sanction, the word of God without meaning, and the atonement of Christ either a bauble or a myth!

If now we would appreciate the value of this Confession, and the wonderful harmony of belief in the persons who made it—men gathered from France, England, Scotland, Wales, Nova Scotia, Canada and twenty-two United States—we have but to imagine, if we can, what the Confession would have been, had the crowd at Burial Hill been almost any other sort of people than they were; and, like them, left perfectly free to declare their personal, individual sentiments. Suppose, for instance, they had been a promiscuous company of Episcopalians?

Mr. Pitt's declaration is familiar: "We have a Calvinistic creed and an Arminian clergy." In 1790, a class of men in Episcopal orders petitioned Parliament to alter the articles which require the worship of Christ, whom they regarded simply as a man; but on the refusal of Parliament, they concluded to regard Him as God and keep their places in the church. In our own times, Dr. Pusey declared in his sermon at St. Mary's, Oxford:—"Baptism *gives;* the holy Eucharist preserves and enlarges life." Speaking of this and other Tractarian tenets, Bishop McIlvaine said: "They have not put us on the road to Rome, they have taken us there." It is now but a few months since their General Convention in the United States was rent in twain, and a part protested on a question of granting leave to their people to give formal thanks for the salvation of our country from slavery and treason! And but a few *weeks* since, twenty-eight of their Bishops protested against the Romish ritualism of their brethren, whose churches the good Dr. Tyng calls—"Spiritual Menageries!"

Even since the war and the fall of slavery, Old School Presbyterianism, after many sunderings, has again been rent and torn by the very questions which the war presented. And if we leave those who boast an *imposed* unity, or, if not imposed, secured by centralization, our prospect for united religious sentiment is no better. Take, for instance, the persons and their admirers, whom the New York Independent declares its fixed purpose to honor and adhere to—there are few of the first abolitionists of New England who have not heard Mr. Garrison declare his emancipation from "*those old musty parchments,*" as he calls them, which constitute the Bible. Lydia Maria Child has written three volumes on the "Progress of Religious Ideas," in which Christ—the Savior of the world and Buddha—the Bible and the Koran—Christians and heathens, are compared throughout in a way which leaves one in doubt precisely what, if anything, she believes of either. Wendell Phillips declares himself orthodox in opinion like his Puritan ancestors, while Oliver Wendell Holmes seems to suppose that we inherit so much from our ancestors that we have neither individuality or responsibility, praise or blame, of our own; or, in his own unique phraseology—"*Live folks are but dead folks warmed over.*" Surely, if these personages, with their friends, followers and admirers, to the number of half a thousand, had been at Burial Hill to tell us what they believe in religion, instead of the simple, majestic, Scriptural Confession given by the Boston Council of June, 1865, we must have had a creed so various that no one person could receive it, except, perhaps, some legion-souled Gadarene!

No! The only road that leads to unity of religious belief, is that taken by our Puritan fathers, and their descendants at Burial Hill, viz: to follow Scripture and forsake the traditions of men!

CHURCH POLITY.

The Paper on Church Polity presented by Dr. Bacon, considered and printed by the Council, was thorough, exhaustive and very able. No material exceptions were taken to it; but its very length and thoroughness made it impossible for the five hundred members of Council to give it that careful scrutiny necessary to its adoption. But there was the same general and cordial unity on Church Polity that there had been as to the doctrines of Christ, though Dr. Bacon's Paper and Dr. Gulliver's Report on it, with the discussions following, fill sixty-eight of the ample pages of the volume of proceedings, a volume which every minister ought to possess, and every member of our churches, who proposes to know the history and nature of the Church Polity which was given by Christ and practiced by His Apostles. As to the great feature of that Polity which distinguishes it from all human contrivances for managing Christ's religion, that is, the independence of the local churches, there was not a difference, or shadow of a difference of opinion in the Council.

Another feature of Dr. Bacon's "statement" is its fidelity to Scripture and the practice of the Pilgrim churches on the subject of the CHRISTIAN ELDERSHIP, which he boldly puts forth even where they condemn as abnormal the existing practice in the mass of our churches.

These are Dr. Bacon's words on Eldership:

"The office of elder or bishop in the church is two-fold—to labor in word and doctrine, and to rule.

The number of elders or bishops in a particular church is neither prescribed nor limited, but is to be determined by the discretion of the church itself in view of its ability and its need. In the primitive (i. e. New Testament) churches, a plural eldership seems to have been the rule and not the exception. In the American churches at the beginning, it was thought needful that every church should have, at least, three elders, of whom two were to labor in word and doctrine, and the other was to be associated with them in all their work as bishops or overseers of the flock. While no church is rightfully subjected to any Presbytery exterior to itself, every church should have its own Presbytery (or Eldership). The modern usage, concentrating all the powers and responsibilities of the Eldership in one person, is founded on convenience only, and is exceptional rather than normal."

In this remarkable Paper presented by Dr. Bacon, and by the Council declared to be "able, comprehensive, and generally correct—well worthy to be the basis of the Platform"—we have distinctly stated that there were in Christ's churches, organized by His apostles, elders who preached, and elders who did not preach, but who were associated with the pastors and teachers in oversight! And the Paper declares distinctly, also, that *every church ought to have such an Eldership!* and further, that our present practice of putting all the duties of Eldership upon the one elder who preaches, "is exceptional rather than normal!" Would God, all our churches might see the wisdom, beauty and necessity, because Scripturalness of this doctrine of the New Testament Eldership, and *return to it;* and so not only give to the churches of Christ the government established by Christ, but also take from the Presbyterians the only ground on which they can reproach us with being in an *abnormal*, because unscriptural position.

But to consider in detail the doings of this great Council, would be to copy their volume. Let us rejoice, that two full centuries and a half from the Landing of the Pilgrims, if we do not retain the drapery, either of their ideas or their persons, we *do* retain a filial reverence for both, and are striving to follow them, as they followed Christ.

All of which is respectfully submitted,

JONATHAN BLANCHARD, *Chairman.*

(B.)

REPORT of Committee on Religious Exercises. Appointments for the Sabbath.

(*See Minutes, p.* 9.)

Congregational Church, Champaign—Morning, Rev. Wm. W. Patton; Evening, Rev. Edward Beecher.

Presbyterian Church, Champaign—Morning, Rev. Ray Palmer; Evening, Rev. Wm. E. Holyoke.

Methodist Church, Champaign—Morning, Rev. Wm. L. Bray; Evening, Rev. Lathrop Taylor.

Baptist Church, Champaign—Morning, Rev. A. H. Clapp

Presbyterian Church, Urbanna—Morning, Rev. E. N. Lewis; Evening, Rev. Edward Ebbs.

Methodist Church, Urbanna—Morning, Rev. H. G. McArthur; Evening, Rev. H. M. Daniels.

At 1 o'clock, P. M., a children's meeting, to be addressed by Rev's W. W. Patton, Wm. L. Bray, J. D. Wyckoff and L. Taylor.

At 3 P. M., the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper—Rev. Flavel Bascom to break the Bread, and Rev. Ray Palmer to administer the Cup.

Presented by S. A. VAN DYKE, *Chairman.*

(C.)

REPORT of the Treasurer of General Association of Illinois. (*See Minutes, p. 9.*)

M. K. WHITTLESEY, in account with the

GENERAL ASSOCIATION OF ILLINOIS:

1866.			Dr.
May,	To assessment paid by	Southern Association	$47 00
" & Oct.,	" " "	Elgin Association	66 00
"	" " "	Chicago Association	40 00
" & Nov.,	" " "	Central West Association	90 00
"	" " "	Bureau Association, (in part)	28 00
"	" " "	Geneseo Association, (in part)	7 00
"	" " "	Northwestern Association	13 85
June,	" " "	Quincy Association	41 05
July,	" " "	Rockford Association, (in part)	20 00
Sept.,	" " "	Central Association, (in part)	11 75
"	" " "	Fox River Union	51 68
1867.			
May,	" " "	Central East Association	9 32
"	" " "	Bureau Association, (balance due)	7 47
"	" " "	Rockford Association, " "	9 70
"	" " "	Central Association, " "	1 80
	Total		$444 62

1866.		Cr.
May,	By amount due Treasurer. (See Minutes for 1866, p. 16,)	$ 94 03
Sept.	" cash paid for Minutes of 1866	300 85
Sept.	" " " Map	123 00
"	" " Incidentals (Treasurer's account,)	8 49
"	" " " (Registrar's account,)	5 00
		531 37
		444 62
	Due Treasurer	$86 75
	There is yet due for Minutes of 1866, (advanced by the Registrar,)	$52 90
	The appropriation to Statistical Secretary	50 00

Which being added to the balance due Treasurer, makes a sum total of indebtedness.....$189 65

The Associations have all paid their assessments in full, with the exception of Geneseo, which has been in a disorganized condition, and *owes $10,43.

Elgin and Central West have overpaid, for which they are to be credited on their next assessment, as follows:

Elgin.....$12 88
Central West..... 17 07

There will be needed for present indebtedness and for printing the Minutes of this meeting, a sum equal to four cents a member, for the membership in our churches. M. K. WHITTLESEY, *Treasurer.*

The preceding account of the Treasurer has been properly audited by the Committee, and pronounced correct, (See Minutes, p. 9,) and the assessment of 4 cents a member has been ordered by the Association. (See Minutes, p. 12.) The amounts due from the Associations are therefore as follows:

Bureau	$63 08	Fox River	$82 16
Central	23 64	Geneseo, (assessm't 18,36, arrearage 10,43,)	28 79
Central East	17 56	North Western	22 28
Central West	95 80	Quincy	57 12
Chicago	65 48	Rockford	47 92
Elgin	60 88	Southern	43 32

Of the above, several Associations have already paid the full amount, with exemplary promptness, into the Treasury. *THIS IS NOW PAID

(D.)

REPORT of Treasurer of Fund in aid of the Families of Deceased and Disabled Ministers. (*See Minutes, p. 9.*)

F. BASCOM in account with the Fund in aid of the Families of Deceased and Disabled Ministers.

			Dr.
May 29, 1866,	To Balance in the Treasury, brought forward		$ 96 31
" "	To Collection in meeting of General Association at Ottawa		35 96
July 1, "	To Collection in Congregational Church, Princeton		18 00
Aug. 11, "	" " " 1st Congregational Church, Chicago		33 58
Aug 16, "	" " " New England Church, Chicago		100 00
Sept. 4, "	" " " Plymouth Church, Chicago		23 50
Oct. 28, "	" " " 1st Congregational Church, Ottawa		5 13
Total			$312 48
			212 48
May 22, 1867,	Balance in Treasury		$100 00
			Cr.
1866-67,	By amount paid the family of Rev. N. A. Keyes, deceased		$100 00
" " " " " "	Rev. C. F. Winship, deceased.		112 48
Total			$212 48

The above account and accompanying vouchers examined and found correct. May 23d, 1867.

L. H. HOLMES, *Chairman, Auditing Committee.*

During the ten years in which the Association has called upon the churches to contribute to this fund, and has appointed a Committee to receive and disburse their contributions, the aggregate sum contributed has been $3,313 51, which, with the exception of the amount now reported as remaining in the Treasury, has been disbursed to nine families. One of these has been aided ten years; one of them eight years; two of them seven years; two of them three years; and three of them one year. F. BASCOM.

(E.)

REPORT of Committee to Nominate Delegates to Corresponding Bodies. (*See Minutes, p. 10.*)

To the General Conference of Maine; S. C. Bartlett.
" " Association of New Hampshire; H. Brickett.
" " Convention of Vermont; J. W. Cass.
" " Conference of Rhode Island; W. A. Chamberlin.
" " Association of Massachusetts; E. Beecher.
" " Association of Connecticut; H. M. Gooodwin.
" " Association of New York; E. N. Lewis.
" " Conference of Ohio; J. R. Shipherd.
" " Association of Michigan; J. P. Gulliver.
" " Association of Indiana; J. W. Healy.
" " Association of Iowa; S. H. Emery.
" " Pres. and Cong. Convention of Wisconsin; W. G. Pierce.
" " Conference of Minnesota; W. W. Patton.
" " Association of Kansas; F. Bascom.
" " Association of Nebraska; A. L. Riggs.
" " Association of Oregon; W. L. Bray.
" " Association of California; G. S. F. Savage.
" " Congregational Union of Canada; Edward Ebbs.
" " Cong. Un'n of Nova Scotia and New Brunswick; G. A. Rawson.
" " Association of Missouri; Wm. Carter.

Presented by H. L. HAMMOND, *Chairman.*

(F.)

REPORT of Committee on a Religious Paper. (*See Minutes, p.* 11.)

The Committee to whom was referred the subject of a Religious Paper for the Congregational Churches of the Northwest, report:

That their views of the necessity of such a paper were well expressed in the action of the Triennial Convention at Chicago, to which we need add nothing at this time, except that the necessity then recognized has become more imperative by the fact that the Independent, once regarded as an organ of the Congregational Churches, and as a defender of the vital doctrines of the Gospel, has distinctly declared that it is to be regarded as such no longer, and virtually omitted the essence of Christianity by promulgating the law without the Gospel in its statement of its religious basis, and has implied that the renovation of human society is possible without it.

This disparagement of the importance of religious doctrines, and its eulogies of some who do not hold to the inspiration of the Bible, and who deny the whole system of Evangelical Christianity, as the most faithful of the age, and as the Lord's anointed, the assumption that a true doctrinal belief is not the true and only root of the noblest Christian life, we regard as inconsistent with the decision of Christ, that men are sanctified by the truth, and as blunting the moral sensibility of our Churches to the guilt and danger of fundamental religious errors.

In view of these facts, we have an increasing conviction of the indispensable necessity of a paper on which our churches can safely rely for the defence of the great doctrines of Christianity on which they are based, the polity on which they are organized, and the whole system of evangelical and social reform, and organization in which they are engaged.

In addition to what has been said on doctrine, we may add that the spirit manifested in such contemptuous expressions towards Christian Ministers as "antiquated managers of ecclesiastical conventions," and "alms collecting editors of mediæval journals," and in other similar utterances, and in the attempt to flatter the young men of the clergy who have subscribed to that journal as "kings of men," "pillars of the Church," "Apostles of the age," sufficiently evince that the paper cannot be relied upon to diffuse a truly Christian, humble, courteous and fraternal spirit, any more than to defend Christian doctrine.

We may add that its late equivocal utterance in regard to licensing prostitution, affirming that "the clergy are generally on one side and the police on the other," and that "we are not sure but the police are right," awakens grave doubts of its further fitness to be a guide in the plainest questions of morality.

Presented by EDWARD BEECHER, *Chairman.*

SUPPLEMENTARY Resolution, Presented by Rev. W. W. Patton.
(*See Minutes, p.* 11.)

Resolved, That the necessities of the cause of Christ imperatively require the establishment of a Religious Paper in Chicago, which shall advocate the Evangelical doctrines, and Scriptural polity of the Congregational Churches.

(G.)

REPORT of the Committee appointed to secure reduction of Fare on Railroads.
(*See Minutes, p.* 11.)

The Committee on Railroads have attended to the duty assigned them, and report the following:

While there can be obtained no reduction of fares, the roads are in running order, and except for extra baggage, no additional charge above the established rates will be made to members of this Association, as weight of character is of no account.

The Committee are informed that the Black Valley Railroad is holding out special inducements to obtain passengers, but it is a dangerous concern, and we trust no member of this Body will ever patronize it either by the purchase of a ticket or the acceptance of a pass.

Presented by H. M. DANIELS, *Chairman.*

(H.)

RESOLUTIONS on Temperance, Reported by Committee, and ordered to be published. (*See Minutes, p.* 11.)

Resolved, 1. That this Association see no reason to abate one jot or tittle of its former and frequent utterances upon the subject of Temperance, but that if possible we are more convinced than ever before of the correctness of our principles and position with regard to the use, as a beverage, of all intoxicating drinks, as not needed in the system, but rather injurious to persons in health, and leading to drunkenness with all its concomitant evils.

Resolved, 2. That the recent attempts by the Rum Power, aided by some well meaning men and friends of Temperance, to break down all prohibition, and throw the country back on the old license system, should lead us to re-double our efforts for the enactment of wise prohibitory laws.

Resolved, 3. That to secure the law without, which shall protect men from their own weakness and the avarice of their fellows, and the law WITHIN, which shall govern them aright, we must bring the truth to bear upon the minds of men at all points. And that our utterances may be sound and our measures wise, we must study carefully the questions involved, and should make them a frequent topic of discussion in our local Associations.

Resolved, 4. That we will make greater efforts in our Sabbath Schools for such instruction in Temperance principles according to God's word, as shall raise up a generation thoroughly indoctrinated and governed by those principles. To this end, we recommend the circulation of the Youth's Temperance Banner in all our Sabbath Schools.

Resolved, 5. That we are more deeply impressed than ever before that in all our efforts in this Reform, we must look up to our Lord Jesus Christ for leadership, and must work in the power of His Spirit, or all our efforts are weak and of little avail. But through Him we have confidence and strength.

Resolved, 6. That we appoint a Central Temperance Committee of one, and request each local Association to appoint a committee of one to co-operate with him in stimulating efforts and gathering such statistics as may seem advisable to be reported at our next meeting.

Presented by WM. G. PIERCE, *Chairman.*

(I.)

RESOLUTION Concerning the Work of the American Missionary Association. (*See Minutes, p.* 11.)

Resolved, In view of the large amount of money contributed to the American Missionary Association, for the work among the Freedmen, by the Congregational churches, it is the opinion of this Body, that the policy of expending the money thus contributed almost wholly for the support of schools is unwise, and that immediate and earnest efforts should be made to secure the preaching of the Gospel, and the organization of Congregational Churches by Missionaries to be sustained by the aforesaid Congregational contributions.

(J.)

REPORT of a Committee appointed to inquire, "Whether it is against the interests of Christ's Kingdom at large, to appoint Ministers to the non-preaching Agencies of the Church?" (*See Minutes, p.* 11.)

In preparing this Report your Committee is embarrassed by the fact, that having been appointed at a session of the Association last year, when he was not present, he does not know precisely the meaning of the question, as it lay in the minds of those who assigned it to him for discussion. He is unable to define in his own mind what class of agencies is designated as "non-preaching agencies of the church." In this state of uncertainty, no extensive discussion will be attempted. A few general principles only will be cited, which will aid in a right decision of the question in each particular case that may arise.

1. A man who has been set apart to the Gospel Ministry, ought doubtless to continue in the vocation whereunto he is called, unless disabled by the failure of health, or taught by experience that he so far lacks adaptation to the work of the ministry, as to have no reasonable prospect of success therein.

2. There are some Agencies connected with the benevolent enterprises of our churches, which, for their most successful prosecution, require not only ministers, but ministers of superior qualifications. In responsibilities, and in the opportunities for usefulness, some of these Agencies, are not surpassed by any pastorates in the length and breadth of the land. The advocacy of our leading Missionary Societies, and the supervision of their work, ought to employ the best talent and the greatest efficiency to be found in the ministry.

3. Some of our Benevolent Societies require a large number of laborers to carry out their work in detail. For example, the Bible Society in addition to its general agencies, needs county agents to superintend the details of its collections, and supplies of the destitute, through the Branch Societies and local agents. The Tract Societies need visitors and colporteurs. The Sabbath School Societies need agents to explore the destitute fields, and to organize schools, and by visitation and lectures, and a supply of books and papers, to aid in the Christian education of the young. To do such work does not require a ministerial education. It is not necessary that a man should stand in a pulpit, nor be set apart by the laying on of the hands of the Presbytery. There is much of earnest self-denying piety among the private members of our churches which ought to serve the cause of Christ in such labors as these. But if ministers who have discontinued preaching from the failure of health, or from inability to gain a support by their profession, choose to engage in these non-preaching agencies, it is undoubtedly their privilege so to do. Their having been ordained, is no more a disqualification for some useful non-ministerial agency in the work of the church, than for secular employments. Every man, whether ordained or unordained, ought to do what he can for Christ, even though it be but hewing wood or drawing water for the House of the Lord. But no Benevolent Society ought to tempt any man who is successfully engaged in the ministry, to leave it for any unministerial work in their service. If for such work they desire ministers, let them take such as are idle in the market place, because no man hath hired them.

4. The cause of Christian education in our Colleges, and of ministerial education in our Theological Seminaries, employs many of our ablest ministers, and if adapted to this work, it is difficult to find any sphere of ministerial labor in which they could serve the cause of Christ more effectively.

5. The religious Press is an instrument of great power in the hands of Christian men. Religious papers have come to be a necessity; they circulate every where. Those who edit them ought therefore to be our wisest and best men. That a theological education, and some experience in the ministry are exceedingly desirable qualifications in an editor of a religious paper, seems too obvious to be called in question. If proof on this point were demanded, it would be sufficient to call upon the New York Independent for testimony. It is itself a living witness.

Presented by F. BASCOM, *Committee.*

(K.)

REPORT of Committee on Overture of the Fox River Union, concerning the Re-arrangement of the Boundaries of the Local Associations. (*See Minutes, p.* 12.)

The Committee to whom was referred the overture of the Fox River Union, requesting a consideration of the advisability of the re-adjustment of the boundaries of our local Associations, and the maturing of a plan for it, to be recommended to the churches, have considered the matter, and report the following Resolutions:

1. That we recognize the desirability of having our Associations conformed to the routes of railway travel, as they as naturally control the religious as the social and commercial relations of the country.

2. That as fast as necessity calls for changes in the relations of churches to their Associations or as new churches are formed, this law of railway connection should be observed.

3. That in the case of the Fox River Union we see the pressing necessity of such a re-arrangement according to the relations of its churches to the Chicago, Burlington & Quincy Railroad, and to the Rock Island Railroad, as would give the churches of Aurora, Big Grove, Big Rock, Big Woods, Bristol, East Pawpaw, Jericho, Naperville, Newark, Oswego and Sandwich, to one Association, and the churches of Eden, Deer Park, Homer, Lisbon, Lockport, Marseilles, Morris, Nettle Creek, Plainfield, Ottawa, Vienna, Vermillion, Tonica, and Wauponsie, to another. It would also seem advisable that Wheaton church should belong to the Elgin Association, and that the churches of LaSalle, Peru and Granville, now in the Bureau Association, should connect themselves with the Association which might be formed on the Rock Island Railroad.

4. That in the case of the Geneseo Association, we consider that those places on and in connection with the Rock Island Railroad, west of the crossing of the Chicago, Burlington & Quincy Railroad, should properly belong to the field of that Association. And for accomplishing this end, we recommend the change of relation from the Bureau Association to that of the Geneseo Association, by the churches of Atkinson, Anawan, Cambridge, Cornwall and Sheffield.

Presented by A. L. RIGGS, *Chairman.*

(L.)

MINORITY Report of Committee on Tabular Statistics, designed to give the sums raised by the Congregational Churches of Illinois for all objects at home and abroad. (*See Minutes, p.* 12.)

FORM OF TABLE.

NAMES OF CHURCHES.	Foreign Work.	Home Work.	Parish Evangelization.	Church Expenses.	Total.	American Board of Commissioners for Foreign Missions	American Missionary Association.	American Home Missionary Society.	American Congregational Union.	Western Tract Agency.	American and Foreign Christian Union.	Western Education Society.

EXPLANATORY NOTE.—Under the term "*Foreign Work,*" are included all sums contributed by the Church and Sabbath School for Missionaries in foreign lands, Mission Schools, &c., &c.

"*Home Work,*" includes all sums contributed for objects in our own country, outside the parish, as Home Missions, Tract Society, Freedmen, Education for Ministry, Church Erection, Seamen, Bible Society, Theological Seminary, &c.

"*Parish Evangelization*," embraces all sums expended within the bounds of the parish for objects like the following: Sunday Schools, including library, &c., Tract distribution, Temperance reform, relief of poor, &c., &c.

"*Church Expenses.*"—This column includes all expenditures for maintenance of public worship, as: Support of Minister, music, janitor, lights, fuel, insurance, &c.; also, church building and repairs, parsonage, debts paid, &c.

Presented by E. N. LEWIS, *Chairman.*

The following resolution was also adopted by the Association: (See Minutes, p. 12.)

Resolved, That we request the Registrar to prepare blanks for the use of the Registrars of the local Associations in securing returns from the churches in accordance with the new arrangement of the tables of contributions adopted by the Association, as well as for the statistics now called for in the form of schedule printed upon the last page of the cover of the Minutes.

(M.)

RESOLUTION on Fœticide. (*See Minutes, p.* 12.)

WHEREAS, Recent startling developments show that the practice of destroying unborn children is exceedingly prevalent in our country, therefore,

Resolved, That this Body deems itself called upon to denounce and protest against the practice as unchristian and inhuman, and to urge as a solemn duty on Ministers, Christians and friends of virtue, to strive in all judicious ways to awaken the public conscience and form a healthful public sentiment against this enormous crime.

(N.)

NARRATIVE of the State of Religion. (*See Minutes, p.* 13.)

The past year brings the churches of Illinois under renewed obligation to render hearty thanksgiving to the God of all grace, and to devote themselves with quickened faith and zeal to the work of the Lord.

Although no sweeping and overwhelming tide of spiritual influence has prevailed, the latter and former rains have been very generally participated in throughout the whole State. Some unmistakable indications of fertility are adduced by all the twelve District Associations, which compose this Body. Thus, Bureau Association reports the *Prayer Meetings* as having been better sustained than ever. Similar testimony is given respecting the Central, the Central East, and West, Fox River Union, Elgin, the Northwestern and Southern Associations. For example, Griggsville reports the average attendance at the regular weekly prayer meeting as 90; the Tabernacle church, Chicago, is reported as sustaining ten regular prayer meetings; some juvenile services for girls and boys apart, attended by forty or fifty, besides the promiscuous gatherings. The Springfield churches have grown so much attached to their *Union* Prayer Meeting that it bids fair to become a permanent institution. Several District Reports allude to the remarkable spiritual power that has characterized the *union* of the Lord's people where they have met, irrespective of denominational distinctions, with one accord, in one place, for social worship.

Emphatic mention is made of the prevalence of peace and harmony in the local churches—another sure sign of spiritual prosperity, when associated, as has evidently been the case during the past year, with unwonted activity in the work of the Lord.

From *thirty-five* churches we have cheering tidings of gracious *revivals*, more or less powerful, viz;—Neponset—two seasons of refreshing in close succession; La Salle—a long-continued season of special Divine manifestations;—Providence, Atkinson, Champaign, Monee, Dwight, Odell, Elgin, Geneva, St. Charles, Dundee, Crystal Lake, Algonquin, Sterling, Lanark, Nora, Marseilles, Plymouth church, Ottawa; Plainfield, Sandwich, Wheaton, Griggsville, Ply-

mouth, Dallas City, Rockford, Pecatonica, Poplar Grove, Stillman Valley, Chandlerville, Concord, Woodburn, First church, Chicago; Tabernacle and Union Park churches, of same city. A few particulars respecting some of these gracious visitations have been incidentally developed in the course of this meeting; but a fuller report should be placed on record.

The *accessions to membership* in some churches are relatively large, although only in one instance exceeding 100, this being the Tabernacle church, Chicago, which was organized last June, with about eighty members and now numbers over 300, a large majority of whom were admitted upon profession. The small rural churches have participated largely in this increase. Neponset, which last year reported a membership of thirty-five, has nearly trebled its numbers. Providence has doubled its membership. Odell has received forty-four, of whom seventeen came in upon profession. Griggsville has received thirty-nine upon profession and eleven by letter, together, fifty. Stillman Valley reports thirty adults added upon profession. Plymouth church, Ottawa, received forty-two, of whom, twenty-nine upon profession; Wheaton, thirty-nine, of whom, eighteen upon profession. The Central West Association reports that the cases of conversion are fifty-six per cent. more numerous than last year; while the membership of the churches in Chicago has been doubled in two years. The fruits of the revivals referred to, have not yet been fully recorded in statistical reports, extending into the current year. We may hope for a much larger ingathering. The aggregate accessions upon profession and by letter, during the past year, may be learned by referring to the *Summary of the tables.

There are many indications of vigorous growth in the material progress reported. Thus in the Central West Association, three houses of worship have been erected, three others repaired, and two parsonages provided. In Bureau Association, Anawan and Wyanet have nearly completed new Sanctuaries. Plymouth and New England churches, Chicago, have been completed and dedicated, both buildings of rare beauty. Union Park church, Chicago, has been so considerably transformed and enlarged, that it might be numbered among the new churches. A Sanctuary has been erected at Woodstock, another at Fremont, and another at Dement in Elgin Association. The noble edifice in which the General Association is now assembled (in Champaign) is just completed. Earl (alias Paw Paw) has reared and dedicated a church; also, Harvard, Rosamond and Sandoval, have each a new house of worship. The University church at Normal is nearly completed, and is to be dedicated on the 9th June. Considerable improvements have also been made on the churches at St. Charles, Crystal Lake, Dundee, and an enlargement is being made of the New England church, Aurora. So far as reported, seventeen church edifices have been built; seven have been enlarged or improved; and two parsonages have been provided.

Churches have been organized at Wyanet, Hinsdale, Springfield, the Tabernacle church, Chicago, and probably still others, from which we have not heard.

The Sabbath School work has been prosecuted with increased energy, and evident success in numerous apparent conversions. The New England church, Chicago, has added another to the far-famed Mission Schools of that city—the Lincoln Mission in the north suburbs. Champaign has credit for one of the best Sabbath Schools in the Association, outside of Chicago. The school at Monee is also in a very thriving condition. County and local Sabbath School conventions have infused new life into many schools, and in some instances have been blessed with special manifestations of the Divine presence and power, as for example, at Geneva, Elgin, and St. Charles.

The Temperance Reformation has received fresh impetus throughout the State. It has engaged an unusual degree of attention among our churches. Strong ground has been taken in favor of a prohibitory law. In some locali-

*This summary, as the present narrative goes to press, is not complete, as unfortunately the returns are not all in, and the columns, like the polls in some latitudes, are kept open to the last moment. Any omission, therefore, in the narrative, may be accounted for from this fact, and will be supplied hereafter.

ties the question has been successfully carried at the municipal elections. Enough has already been accomplished to arouse attention to the question, and all express the conviction that the churches of God should come up to the help of the Lord with new energy just now.

The four colleges at Jacksonville, Galesburg, Beloit, and Wheaton, which form our chief dependence for higher education, and for the early training of our ministers, report an increasing and encouraging prosperity, and the enjoyment of manifest tokens of Divine favor in the conversion of some, and the arousing of others to christian activity, a greatly increased number of students being devoted in purpose to the ministry of reconciliation, and to the work of foreign missions. Special religious interest has characterized the current year at Knox, Beloit and Wheaton.

The Female Seminary at Rockford—"the Western Holyoke"—is enlarging its facilities. A new hall and a chapel are just being completed, to afford increased conveniences for its two hundred pupils. Revivals still continue to sanctify its results to Christ and His church.

Our Theological Seminary at Chicago, has this year attained a still larger measure of usefulness and prosperity. Its "cross of success" demands of us at once a four-fold enlargement. An active christian zeal and deep spirituality pervade all its life. The crowning grace of our Lord Jesus Christ—*Liberality*—which is so remarkably uplifting the business of christians in Chicago, has been attained at the Seminary, in the dedication of five noble men, from its graduating class of eighteen, to the work of Foreign Missions. This first offering of Missionaries to the heathen from our western "school of the prophets," marks an epoch in our progress, and affords special occasion for rejoicing. The demand for laborers in the home-field was never so urgent. The injunction of our Divine Master is pre-eminently applicable to us in this great West: "The harvest truly is plenteous; but the laborers are few; pray ye, therefore, the Lord of the harvest that He will send forth laborers into His harvest."

There has been a growing spirit of beneficence in the churches, fostered by the plan of systematic giving, adopted by the Association, and its published details in the minutes. To this table we refer for the items, which it is impossible to give here, and at the same time call attention to the proposed plan to secure returns concerning moneys raised for all objects, whether at home or abroad, as an incentive to all the churches to do their utmost, by pecuniary aid, as well as prayer and personal work, to propagate the Gospel at home, and far hence among all nations.

Presented by EDWARD EBBS, *Chairman.*

(O.)

STATISTICS OF THE CHURCHES, FOR THE YEAR ENDING MARCH 31, 1867.

1. BUREAU ASSOCIATION.

Meetings—3d Tuesday of April and 2d Tuesday of October. Meeting in October, with the Church at Providence.

CHURCHES.	ORGANIZED.	MINISTERS.	ORDAINED.	Called by this Church.	Installed.	Church Members, April 1, 1867.				Added, 1866-67.			Removed, 1866-67.				Baptisms		Sabbath Schools.
						Males.	Females	Total.	Absent.	Profes'n	Letter.	Total.	Death.	Dism'n.	Excom.	Total.	Adults.	Infants.	
Amboy	1854, June 28	George W. Wells	Licentiate	1867	*N.	48	78	126	26	1	5	6	0	8	0	8	1	1	190
Annawan	1853, June	Addison Lyman	1847, May 15	1859	N.	5	14	19	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	Un.
Arispe	1858, March 12	None				6	9	15	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	Un.
Atkinson	(1) '63, Apr. 5, (2) '63, Oct. 2.	E. G. Bryant	?	1867	N.	8	14	22	1	4	4	8	1	6	0	7	1	2	55
Buda	1856, Oct. 17	None				16	26	42	6	2	5	7	0	1	0	1	1	0	65
Cambridge	1851, Feb. 15	Joseph D. Baker	1842, June 8	1852	1858	28	54	82	13	13	4	17	0	8	0	8	8	4	100
Cornwall	1859, June 3	None				5	5	10	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	Un.
Dover	1838, March 24	None				42	57	99	12	4	2	6	2	7	0	9	0	1	90
Granville	(1) '51, Feb. 10, (2) '53, Nov. 26.	H. Vallette Warren	1859, June 10	1866	N.	40	47	87	6	9	11	20	3	12	0	15	3	0	175
Kewanee	1855, Aug. 7.	J. M. VanWagner	1846, April	1864	1864	54	99	153	18	10	22	32	1	15	0	16	6	15	250
Lamoille	1840, May 12	Darius Gore	1844, May 14	1860	N.	30	55	85	5	8	3	11	2	9	0	11	6	0	160
LaSalle	1853, June 13	Albert L. Payson	1839, Oct. 15	1866	N.	21	55	76	4	8	13	21	1	9	0	10	4	4	80
Lee Centre	1843, July 5	S. Wallace Phelps	1854, June 28	1852	N.	21	38	59	8	4	2	6	0	2	0	2	0	1	75
Malden	1857, March 3	E. P. Ingersoll	1835, Feb	1865	N.	40	57	97	21	14	3	17	0	5	0	5	3	1	150
Mendota	1855, Oct. 5	Wm. H. Wynn	1853	1866	N.	16	25	41	6	1	2	3	2	4	0	6	1	0	60
Milo	1849, Sept. 23	None				8	16	24	9	0	0	0	0	2	2	4	0	0	40
Neponset	1855, Apr. 21	Samuel G. Wright	1840, Oct	1866	1867	39	59	98	4	35	33	68	0	3	0	3	13	3	270
Osceola	1860, March 25	Samuel G. Wright	See above	1866	1866	5	15	20	0	4	0	4	0	2	0	2	0	2	Un.
Peru	(P) '37, Nov. 27, (C) '53, Jan. 4.	Aurelian H. Post	1862, Nov. 18	1863	N.	22	37	59	13	2	2	4	0	3	0	3	0	2	175
Princeton	1831, March 3	Flavel Bascom	1833, Sept	1864	1864	77	146	223	0	7	6	13	4	10	1	15	1	1	230
Providence	1841, June 22	Lemuel Pomroy	1840, Feb. 18	1867	N.	14	26	40	6	18	1	19	0	2	0	2	4	1	60
Sheffield	1854, July 9	Addison Lyman	See above	1854	N.	20	42	62	10	2	1	3	0	5	0	5	0	2	125
Twin Grove	1859, Sept. 1	None				9	5	14	11	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	Un.
Wethersfield	1839, Oct. 19	Charles E. Ryder	1865, Nov. 1	1865	N.	55	77	132	12	5	2	7	0	4	0	4	3	5	80
Wyanet	1866, Sept. 27	Lucius H. Parker	1835	1866	N.	11	17	28	0	14	16	30	0	2	0	2	1	1	0
25 Churches.		17 Min's sup. 19 Chs.				640	1073	1713	202	165	137	302	15	110	3	128	56	47	2430

*N in this column means NOT installed.

Additional Ministerial Members.—Charles M. Barnes, (ord. 1859, Sept. 16,) Plymouth, Ill.; W. S. Blanchard, (ord. 1848,) Chicago, Ill.; W. B. Christopher, (ord. 1848, June,) Mendota, Ill.; Charles Hancock, (ord. 1861, June 5,) Buda, Ill.; Samuel Ordway, (ord. 1838, Dec.,) Neponset, Ill.; Wm. Porter, (ord. 1846, April 12,) Webster Grove, Mo.; Calvin Selden, (ord. 1845,) Aurora, Ill.; David Todd, (1847, Oct. 25,) ? .—8.

2. CENTRAL ASSOCIATION.

Meetings—2d Tuesday in May and 2d Thursday in October. Meeting in October, with the Church at Odell.

CHURCHES.	ORGANIZED.	MINISTERS.	ORDAINED.	Called by this Church.	Installed.	Church Members, April 1, 1867.				Added, 1866-67.			Removed, 1866-67.				Baptisms		Sabbath Schools.
						Males.	Females	Total.	Absent.	Profes'n	Letter.	Total.	Death.	Dism'n.	Excom.	Total.	Adults.	Infants.	
Atlanta	1840, Sept. 19	George B. Hubbard	1848, April 16	1866	N.	19	41	60	7	2	4	6	2	13	0	15	0	0	90
*Bruce	1855, Oct. 1	None				13	30	43	9	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	36
Danvers	1862, Jan. 7	Wm. B Orvis	(?)	1865,	N.	13	15	28	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	40
Dwight	1866, Jan. 12	J. A. Montgomery	1866, June 15	1866	N.	25	28	53	2	24	18	42	0	1	0	1	11	0	95
*El Paso	1859, April	None				20	25	45	3	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	85
Gridley	1862, June 21	Bethuel C. Church	(?)	1865	N.	6	10	16	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	30
Lincoln	1859, Feb. 14	H. S. Clark	(?)	?	?	15	35	50	9	6	5	11	0	0	0	0	0	0	160
McLean	1858, May	None				3	9	12	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	80
Metamora	(P) 1843, (C) 1844	None				10	20	30	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	50
Morton	1851, (?)	George L. Roberts	(?)	?	?	8	19	27	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	†50
Nebraska	1858, May 1	Bethuel C. Church	See above	1865	N.	12	18	30	3	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	60
New Rutland	1858, Feb. 28	Reuben Evarts	(?)	1865	N.	15	12	27	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	75
Normal	1865, Jan. 12	W. H. Daniels	1860, Sept. 1	1865	1865	36	61	97	16	6	8	14	0	5	0	5	0	0	†250
Odell	1862, Aug. 28	Lemuel Leonard	1839, (?)	1854	N.	20	43	63	?	17	27	44	1	2	0	3	9	3	90
*Sanmanin	1861, Nov. 2	None				7	8	15	4	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	30
Tremont	1843, (?)	George L. Roberts	See above			22	36	58	10	2	0	2	0	2	0	2	0	0	60
16 Churches.		9 Min's sup. 11 Chs.				244	410	654	72	57	62	119	4	23	0	27	20	3	1281

* No report. Figures of last year. †Union School—the one in Normal connected with the University.

Additional Ministerial Members.—Arthur E. Arnold, Licentiate, Chicago, Ill.; George E. Beecher, (ord. ?) Chicago; Eli C. Fisk, (ord. 1858, Feb.,) Havanna, Ill.; H. H. Hinman, (ord. ?); Edwin G. Smith, (ord. 1850, Nov. 7.)—5.

3. CENTRAL EAST ASSOCIATION.

Meetings—2d Monday in May and October. Meeting in October, with Church at Monee.

CHURCHES.	ORGANIZED.	MINISTERS.	ORDAINED.	Called by this Church.	Installed.	Church Members, April 1, 1867.				Added, 1866-67.			Removed, 1866-67.				Baptisms		Sabbath Schools.
						Males.	Females	Total.	Absent.	Profes'n	Letter.	Total.	Death.	Dism'n.	Excom.	Total.	Adults.	Infants.	
*Brenton	1860, June 23	None				11	10	21	10	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	30
Champaign	1853, Nov. 1	Samuel A. Vandyke	1857, June	1857	N.	52	86	138	21	12	19	31	0	6	0	6	8	13	378
*Clifton	1859, Nov. 6	John Blood	1854, ?	1865	N.	13	28	41	2	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	70
*Dix	1864, ?	None				5	7	12	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	?
Kankakee	1854, Sept. 9	Frederick W. Beecher	1860, Nov. 12	1862	N.	18	42	60	10	7	8	15	0	5	0	5	1	2	50
*Manteno	1862, Aug. 23	None				8	15	23	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	?
Monee	1861, Nov, 21	A. D. Wyckoff	1860, Aug	1865	N.	15	20	35	3	19	5	24	0	1	1	2	7	2	65
Oakalla	1857, Nov. 4	C. L. Watson	1829, Oct	1863	N.	9	27	36	11	2	2	4	0	2	0	2	0	0	70
Onarga	1858, Dec. 9	George R. Hewlings	? ?	1866	N.	13	23	36	9	2	2	4	0	1	0	1	0	2	71
Paxton	1859, Jan. 16	Israel Brundage	1856, Oct. 7	1867	N.	21	29	50	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	?
Rantoul	1866, April 10	Geo. Schlosser	1832, ?	1867	N.	11	21	32	4	7	2	9	0	2	0	2	1	1	35
11 Churches.		8 Min's sup. 8 Chs.				176	308	484	70	49	38	87	0	17	1	18	17	20	769

*No Report. Figures of last year.

4. CENTRAL WEST ASSOCIATION.

Meetings—1st Tuesday in May and 2d Tuesday in October. Meeting in October, with the Church in Altona.

CHURCHES.	ORGANIZED.	MINISTERS.	ORDAINED.	Called by this Church	Installed.	Church Members, April 1, 1867.				Added, 1866-67.			Removed, 1866-67.				Baptisms		Sabbath Schools.
						Males.	Females	Total.	Absent.	Profes'n	Letter.	Total.	Death.	Dism'n.	Excom.	Total.	Adults.	Infants.	
Abingdon	1858, Nov. 22	None				15	25	40	11	3	0	3	0	0	0	0	1	0	?
Altona	1857, Feb. 21	James D. Wyckoff	1859, Oct. 25	1867	N.	25	50	75	10	10	7	17	2	6	0	8	4	0	120
Avon	1855, Nov. 10	Jacob P. Richards	1861, Oct. 31	1867	N.	7	15	22	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	65
Brimfield	1847, March 29	C. A. Leach	1853	1866	N.	46	51	97	25	2	2	4	2	1	0	3	1	3	80
Canton	1842, Feb. 14	Henry Bates	1843, Aug	1867	N.	43	93	136	29	19	3	22	4	0	0	4	4	0	125
Elmore, (formerly Spoon River)	1847, Jan. 22	Benjamin F. Haskins	1857, May 19	1862	N.	13	20	33	3	3	1	4	0	2	0	2	1	3	?
Elmwood	1854, June 3	W. G. Pierce	1861, Nov. 21	1861	1861	87	123	210	?	23	11	34	6	27	0	33	7	0	160
Farmington	1849, Dec. 24	Lathrop Taylor	1843, May 16	1864	1864	58	88	146	13	11	8	19	3	17	2	22	3	1	175
Galesburg, 1st Ch. of Christ	1837, Feb. 25	Frederic T. Perkins	1843, Jan. 11	1860	1860	162	199	361	43	51	13	44	6	12	0	18	14	3	275
Galesburg, 1st Cong'l Church	1855, Nov. 9	Edward Beecher	1826, Dec	1855	1856	101	184	285	24	29	21	50	3	7	0	10	2	7	175
Galva	1835, Sept. 15	Rufus B. Guild	1864, Nov. 3	1864	1864	45	77	122	18	10	13	23	0	4	0	4	5	3	?
Henry	1850, March	R. B. Bull	1855, March 8	1866	N.	18	36	54	3	21	4	25	0	1	0	1	15	1	50
*Knoxville	1859,	None				17	33	50	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	?
*Lafayette	1847,	None				10	19	29	2	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	?
Lacon, 1st Cong'l Church	1865, Oct. 1st	A. A. Stevens	1848, March	1866	N.	37	57	94	5	35	4	39	1	6	0	7	12	8	110
Lawn Ridge	1845, March 22	Lewis Benedict	1844, Feb	1864	N.	42	71	113	6	7	6	13	1	5	0	6	5	2	150
Oneida	1855, Dec. 22	†H. C. Abernethy	1845, April	1857	1858	43	71	114	10	2	2	4	0	6	0	6	2	2	130
Ontario	1848, Aug. 12	B. F. Worrell	1857, Nov	1866	N.	20	30	50	?	2	0	2	0	6	0	6	0	0	90
Peoria, Main Street Cong'l	1847,	G. W. Phinney	1865	1865	N.	58	108	166	17	38	15	53	1	6	0	7	0	0	90
Prairie City	1842, Oct. 1st	Andrew J. Drake	1845, Aug	1866	N.	12	34	46	6	3	5	8	0	2	1	3	0	0	30
Rosefield	1859, Oct. 29	None				10	27	37	?	0	0	0	0	8	0	8	0	0	60
Roseville, 1st Cong'l Church	1851, Nov. 15	None				27	36	63	7	0	1	1	1	0	0	1	0	1	75
*Salem	?	None				?	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	?
Toulon	1846, Nov. 29	None				47	77	124	9	4	0	4	1	3	0	4	0	0	125
*Vermont	1860, Dec. 12	None				9	15	24	0	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	?
Victoria	1849, April 28	B. F. Haskins	See above	1862	N.	15	23	38	7	5	0	5	1	3	0	4	4	0	40
Viola, 1st Cong'l Church	1858, Sept. 23	A. L. Pennoyer	1837, April	1866	N.	11	25	36	4	11	4	15	0	0	0	0	0	0	35
Wataga, 1st Cong'l Church	1855, June 10	W. Judson Beecher	?	?	N.	28	67	95	?	8	5	13	1	7	0	8	0	6	130
28 Churches.		19 Min's sup. 20 Chs.				1006	1654	2660	252	277	125	402	33	129	3	165	80	40	2290

*No report. Figures of last year. †Resigned, April, 1867.

Additional Ministerial Members.—Samuel Dilley, (ord. 1849, Oct. 7,) Galesburg, Ill., City Missionary; R. C. Dunn, (ord. 1854, March 19,) Toulon, Ill.; Elisha Jenney, (ord. ?) Galesburg, Ill., Agent of Am. Home Miss. Society; Lyman Lefflingwell, (ord. ?) Ontario, Ill.; L. H. Parker, (ord. 1835,) Galesburg, Ill.; Henry G. Pendleton (ord. ?) Henry, Ill.—6.

5. CHICAGO ASSOCIATION.

Meetings—2d Tuesday of May and October. Meeting in October with the Church at Woodstock.

CHURCHES.	ORGANIZED.	MINISTERS.	ORDAINED.	Called by this Church.	Installed.	Church Members, April 1, 1867.				Added, 1866-67.			Removed, 1866-67.			Baptisms		Sabbath Schools.
						Males.	Females	Total.	Absent.	Profes'n	Letter.	Total.	Death.	Dism'n.	Excom.	Total.	Adults.	Infants.	
Bloomingdale	1840, Aug. 22.	Warren F. Day	1866, May 2	1865	N.	30	54	84	19	13	9	22	0	4	2	6	9	1	125
Blue Island	1860, Jan. 22.	Lemuel Foster	1833, April	1863	N.	7	12	19	1	0	1	1	1	0	0	1	0	2	80
Chicago, 1st Church	1851, May 22	Wm. W. Patton	1843, ?	1857	1857	220	340	560	50	33	62	95	4	89	1	94	8	20	678
Chicago, Plymouth Church	1852, Dec. 1	L. E. Matson	1861, July	1866	1867	80	125	205	?	5	28	33	1	18	0	19	1	3	200
Chicago, South Church	1853, Nov. 20	Wm. B. Wright	1862, Dec. 3	1862	N.	42	93	135	10	12	22	34	1	7	0	8	1	5	175
*Chicago, New England Church	1855, June 15	John P. Gulliver	1846, Oct	1865	1866	81	125	206	30	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	?
Chicago, Salem Church	1857, April 30	C. B. Thomas	1862, Jan. 28	1866	N.	14	14	28	0	4	5	9	0	0	0	0	0	2	100
Chicago, Union Park Church	1860, May 22	C. D. Helmer	1859, Sept. 11	1866	1866	75	162	237	7	20	80	100	0	17	0	17	5	7	750
Chicago, Tabernacle Church	1866, May 27	J. W. Healey	1857, Jan. 1	1865	1866	106	176	282	6	142	140	282	1	0	0	1	40	33	1200
Crete	1853	B. M. Amsden	1849 ?	1864	N.	14	24	38	2	0	2	2	0	4	0	4	0	2	80
Danby	1862, April 15	James Tompkins	1867, Apr. 24	1865	1867	12	28	40	0	1	1	2	0	4	0	4	1	0	165
Elk Grove	1836, ?	None				16	20	36	10	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
†Evanston	1859, Dec	None				1	0	1	0	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	?
Hinsdale	1867, April 12	C. M. Sanders	1867, April 19	1867	N.	7	13	20	0	3	19	22	0	2	0	2	2	2	?
Jefferson	1861, April 18	E. C. Barnard	1866, Dec. 18	1865	1866	11	25	36	12	1	2	3	1	5	0	6	0	0	100
Lisle	1860, March	‡Wm. H. Atkinson	1867, April 18	1866	N.	10	14	24	3	7	3	10	1	1	0	2	6	3	70
Lyonsville	1843, May 14	C. M. Sanders	See above	1867	N.	38	47	85	7	21	4	25	0	6	0	6	4	5	95
Waukegan	1843 ?	M. M. Colburn	1856, ?	1866	N.	11	40	51	10	1	2	3	2	2	0	4	0	0	60
Woodstock	1865, Oct. 24	J. J. A. T. Dixon	1856, Sept. 3	1865	N.	15	19	34	2	1	5	6	1	1	0	2	0	0	50
19 Churches.		16 Min's sup. 17 Chs.				790	1331	2121	109	264	385	649	13	160	3	176	77	84	4028

*Sorry to print without returns from this Church—but an answer to letter sent promised the figures soon, which never came. †No report. Figures of last year. ‡Mr. Atkinson has left. M. S. Croswell, student in Theological Seminary, supplying at present.

Additional Ministerial Members.—Samuel C. Bartlett, (ord. ?) Chicago, Ill., Professor, Theological Seminary; H. W. Cobb, (ord. ?) Chicago, Ill., Agent, American Missionary Association; E. F. Dickinson, (ord. ?) Chicago, Ill.; C. E. Dickinson, (ord. ?) Elgin, Ill.; Franklin W. Fisk, (ord. ?) Chicago, Ill., Professor, Theo. Seminary: J. A. Hallock, (ord. ?); H. L. Hammond, (ord. ?) Chicago, Ill., Treasurer, Theological Seminary; Joseph Haven, (ord. ?) Chicago, Ill., Professor, Theological Seminary; E. G. Howe, (ord. ?); W. A. Nichols, (ord. ?) Chicago, Ill.; Jeremiah Porter, (ord. ?) Chicago, Ill.; Joseph E. Roy, (ord. ?) Chicago, Ill., Agent, American Home Missionary Society; Jacob R. Shipherd, (ord. ?) Chicago, Ill., Secretary, American Missionary Association; S. S. Smith, (ord. 1831, Oct.) Chicago, Ill.—14.

6. ELGIN ASSOCIATION.

Meetings—1st Tuesday in May and October. Meeting in October with the Church at Dundee, October 1st, 7½ P. M.

CHURCHES.	ORGANIZED.	MINISTERS.	ORDAINED.	Called by this Church	Installed.	Church Members, April 1, 1867.				Added, 1866-67.			Removed, 1866-67.				Baptisms		Sabbath Schools.
						Males.	Females	Total.	Absent.	Profes'n	Letter.	Total.	Death.	Dism'n.	Excom.	Total.	Adults.	Infants.	
Algonquin	1850, Feb. 9	None		.....	.....	6	13	19	6	5	1	6	0	0	0	0	2	0	55
Batavia	1835, Aug. 8	George A. Rawson	1860, May	1866	1866	58	85	143	?	21	20	41	1	7	0	8	10	0	240
*Burlington	1850, March 1	None		.....	.....	5	5	10	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	?
Carpenterville	1864, April 26	Isaac B. Smith	1860, Sept. 11	1865	N.	6	11	17	10	2	1	3	0	0	0	0	2	0	60
Crystal Lake	1842, Jan. 10	James H. Harwood	1862, Jan. 28	1865	N.	33	58	91	12	8	10	18	1	2	0	3	4	4	100
*DeKalb	1854, Dec	None		.....	.....	9	27	36	2	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	25
Dement	1856, Sept. 21	Henry Buss	1856, May	1859	N.	14	32	46	5	15	3	18	0	1	0	1	6	0	60
Dundee	1841, May 8	Isaac B. Smith	See above.	1865	N.	41	79	120	5	19	7	26	1	2	0	3	5	0	76
*Elgin	1836, May	None		.....	.....	55	97	152	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	140
Fremont	1838, Sept. 7	Elijah J. Roke	?	1867	N.	32	90	122	22	1	2	3	3	3	0	6	0	0	100
Garden Prairie	1858, May	D. Baldwin	1865, Nov. 10	1866	N.	16	14	30	3	1	1	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	50
Geneva	1849, Dec	A. G. Beebee	1854, June	1865	N.	53	76	129	13	29	18	47	0	8	1	9	15	3	125
Huntley	1852, Sept	Daniel Chapman	1842, Feb	1865	N.	25	29	54	22	2	1	3	0	1	0	1	0	0	70
*Kaneville	1857, Sept. 22	None		.....	.....	7	9	16	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	?
*Lodi	1854, Oct. 10	None		.....	.....	6	14	20	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	?
Malta	1858, Nov. 3	J. D. Parker	1865, Aug	1866	N.	9	12	21	3	2	3	5	0	0	0	0	0	1	30
*Marengo	1858, April 17	None		.....	.....	10	25	35	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	?
Milburn	1841, Sept	Harmon Bross	1863, Sept	1864	N.	33	62	95	3	0	0	0	2	3	0	5	0	3	197
*Munro	1843, Feb. 4	None		.....	.....	6	10	16	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	?
*Riley	1860, Jan. 28	None		.....	.....	14	18	32	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	?
*Ringwood	(1) 1848, (2) 1859	H. B. Underwood	1866, Jan	1865	N.	13	18	31	5	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	40
St. Charles	1837, March 4	Thomas Lightbody	1846, ?	1865	N.	52	102	154	29	24	7	31	1	8	1	10	8	2	163
Sycamore	1840, April 11	Joseph T. Cook	1853, ?	1865	N.	49	108	157	35	6	8	14	0	3	0	3	3	0	127
*Turner	1856, May 17	None		.....	.....	1	7	8	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	?
Udina	1848, June	Lyman H. Johnson	?	1861	N.	21	30	51	10	0	5	5	0	2	0	2	1		76
Union	1864, April	D. Baldwin	See above.	1866	N.	19	40	59	5	1	3	4	0	3	0	3	1	0	100
*Wayne	1841, Dec. 1	Sylvanus H. Kellogg	1857, Nov	1863	N.	15	28	43	5	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	80
27 Churches.		15 Min's sup. 17 Chs.				608	1099	1707	195	136	90	226	9	43	2	54	57	15	1914

*No report. Figures of last year.

Additional Ministerial Members.—R. C. Bristol, (ord. ?); N. C. Clark, (ord. 1833,) Elgin, Ill.; Wm. B. Dodge, (ord. 1843,) Milburn, Ill.; F. L. Fuller, (ord. 1843, Sept.); Chas. S. Harrison, (ord. 1858, Dec.); Alvah C. Page, (ord. ?) Elgin, Ill.; S. F. Porter, (ord. ?); Geo. C. Partridge, (ord, 1840); G. S. F. Savage, (ord. 1847, Sept,) Sec'y American Tract Society, (Boston,) Chicago, Ill.; Roswell R. Snow, (ord. 1845,) General Agent, American Tract Society, (New York,) Elgin, Ill.—10.

7. FOX RIVER UNION.

Meetings—2d Tuesday in April and October. Meeting in October with the Church at Wheaton.

CHURCHES.	ORGANIZED.	MINISTERS.	ORDAINED.	Called by this Church.	Installed.	Church Members, April 1, 1867.				Added, 1866-67.			Removed, 1866-67.				Baptisms		Sabbath Schools.
						Males.	Females	Total.	Absent.	Profes'n	Letter.	Total.	Death.	Dism'n.	Excom.	Total.	Adults.	Infants.	
Aurora, 1st Church	(P) 1838, (C) 1848	Wm. L. Bray	1861, Aug. 8	1861	1861	72	142	214	24	8	11	19	4	11	0	15	5	6	285
Aurora, New England Church	1858, July 1	Edward Ebbs	1843, Aug	1866	1866	32	66	98	1	3	20	23	0	7	0	7	0	1	176
*Big Grove	1834, Nov. 24	None				2	4	6	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	?
Big Rock	1854, Oct. 17	Benjamin T. Jones	1864, Nov. 2	1865	N.	8	15	23	?	0	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	?
Big Rock, (Welsh)	1852, Oct. 24	Benjamin T. Jones	See above	1865	N.	7	9	16	?	0	0	0	0	0	3	3	0	0	32
Big Woods	1842, April 13	Geo. C. Partridge	(?)	1866	N.	5	9	14	1	4	1	5	0	0	0	0	4	0	42
Bristol	1836, April 1	John L. Granger	1866, ?	1865	N.	21	35	56	9	2	8	10	0	0	0	0	0	0	76
Deer Park	1857, April 15	None				25	34	59	23	0	0	0	2	2	0	4	0	0	47
*East Pawpaw	(P) '54, (C) March 3, '62	C. C. Breed		1860, Nov. 18	1864	N.	7	11	18	4	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	80
*Eden	?	J. W. West		1857, Jan. 6	1865	N.	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	?
Homer	1860, Jan. 18	Horace H. Harmon	1860, Aug. 2	1866	N.	34	28	62	11	0	3	3	0	1	0	1	0	1	46
Jericho	(P) 1838, (C) 1839	None				8	9	17	10	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	30
Lisbon	(P) 1838, (C) 1851	Uriel W. Small	1859, Sept. 22	1864	N.	65	121	186	38	5	2	7	1	7	0	8	2	5	205
Lockport	1838, Oct. 31	Alfred L. Riggs	1863, Nov. 4	1862	N.	15	47	62	14	3	3	6	2	4	0	6	0	6	216
Marseilles	1860, Sept. 23	Ephraim H. Baker	1861, Jan. 26	1863	N.	16	28	44	8	13	13	26	0	7	0	7	4	0	91
Morris	1848, July 2	Wm. A. Lloyd	1862, Nov. 18	1865	N.	36	69	105	15	5	8	13	7	4	0	11	0	2	222
Naperville	1833, July 3	James C. Beckman	1863, Jan	1866	N.	18	45	63	7	7	4	11	1	0	0	1	5	5	86
*Nettle Creek	1850, July	None				3	7	10	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	?
Newark	1843, April 8	Reuben F. Markham	1846, Sept. 20	1865	N.	35	59	94	17	1	7	8	0	7	3	10	0	3	91
*Oswego	1846, May 18	None				24	45	69	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	?
Ottawa, 1st Church	1839, Aug. 23	M. K. Whittlesey	1849, Jan. 10	1848	1849	51	119	170	18	5	9	14	3	13	0	16	0	5	289
Ottawa, Plymouth Church	1858, Oct. 27	Edwin N. Lewis	1862, Oct. 15	1864	N.	61	133	194	22	29	13	42	1	7	1	9	15	0	262
Plainfield	(1) 1834, (2) 1843	Daniel Clark	1835, Nov	1866	1866	25	73	98	13	19	3	22	2	23	0	25	9	1	81
Sandwich	1853, April 11	John W. Cass	1863, May 11	1866	N.	45	55	100	17	10	14	24	1	21	0	22	5	2	120
Tonica	1857, Jan. 7	J. W. West	See above	1865	N.	51	70	121	?	2	15	17	0	4	0	4	2	2	57
*Vermillion	1834, July 27	None				2	8	10	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	?
*Vienna	1858, July 18	Sylvester R. Dole	1864, Nov. 16	1864	N.	12	13	25	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	?
Wauponsie	1864, May 8	James Loughead	1842, Sept	1864	N.	10	14	24	2	5	1	6	1	4	0	5	4	1	68
Wheaton	1860, Feb. 2	S. F. Millikan	1860, Oct. 24	1864	1866	70	87	157	30	18	21	39	1	23	0	24	5	3	272
29 Churches.		21 Min's sup. 23 Chs.				760	1355	2115	284	139	158	297	26	145	7	178	60	43	2874

* No report. Figures of last year. For list of Additional Ministerial Members, see Items from Stated Clerks of District Associations, p. 42.

8. GENESEO ASSOCIATION.

Meetings—3d Tuesday in April and October. Meeting in October with Church in Geneseo.

CHURCHES.	ORGANIZED.	MINISTERS.	ORDAINED.	Called by this Church.	Installed.	Church Members, April 1, 1867.				Added, 1866-67.			Removed, 1866-67.				Baptisms		Sabbath Schools.
						Males.	Females	Total.	Absent.	Profess'n	Letter.	Total	Death.	Disa'n.	Excom.	Total.	Adults.	Infants.	
Geneseo	1836, Nov. 9	Harry Brickett	1858, Jan. 28	1865	N.	117	197	314	27	27	21	48	3	8	0	11	8	0	250
*Hampton	1852	Abner Harper	1853, Dec	1861	N.	1	5	6	0	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	?
Moline	1844, Jan. 5	Josiah A. Mack	1860, April 29	1866	N.	46	88	134	8	18	12	30	1	3	0	4	7	9	175
Port Byron	1849, Sept. 2	Abner Harper	See above	1861	N.	31	56	87	5	9	10	19	1	2	0	3	2	8	60
4 Churches.		3 Min's sup. 4 Chs.				195	346	541	40	54	43	97	5	13	0	18	17	17	485

*No Report. Figures of last year. *Additional Ministerial Member.*—E. G. Bryant, Atkinson, Ill—1.

9. NORTH WESTERN ASSOCIATION.

Meetings—1st Tuesday of May and October. Meeting in October with the Church at Nora.

CHURCHES.	ORGANIZED.	MINISTERS.	ORDAINED.	Called by this Church.	Installed.	Church Members, April 1, 1867.				Added, 1866-67.			Removed, 1866-67.				Baptisms		Sabbath Schools.
						Males.	Females	Total.	Absent.	Profess'n	Letter.	Total	Death.	Disa'n.	Excom.	Total.	Adults.	Infants.	
Albany	1842, Feb. 13	H. S. Hamilton	?	?	?	11	15	26	?	1	0	1	1	0	0	1	1	0	71
Como	1851, April 12	Pliny Fisk Warner	1859, Oct	1866	N.	12	35	47	6	0	5	5	0	10	0	10	0	0	50
*Dunleith	1859, Feb. 8	E. W. Garney	?	1866	N.	4	12	16	0	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	50
*Eagle Point	1853, May 20	None				7	19	26	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	20
*Elkhorn Grove	1854, Feb. 25	None				9	12	21	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	50
*Galena	1860, Aug. 2	None				16	40	56	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	160
*Gap Grove	1859, June 7	None				12	13	25	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	50
Lanark	1859, Dec. 29	Lucius H. Higgins,	1866, June 21	1866	1866	23	33	56	9	3	9	12	0	1	0	1	1	1	120
Lyndon	1836, June 7	Wilson D. Webb	1848, July 4	1863	N.	27	53	80	7	2	1	3	1	5	0	6	2	0	125
*Morrison	1858, June 26	None				20	47	67	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	100
Nora	1855, Oct. 2	Samuel Penfield	1849, July 10	1865	N.	18	29	47	11	1	2	3	0	2	0	2	1	0	110
Sterling	1857, June 21	Martin Post	1862, Feb	1866	1866	43	73	116	20	25	18	43	2	3	0	5	6	0	150
12 Churches.		7 Min's sup. 7 Chs.				202	381	583	53	32	35	67	4	21	0	25	11	1	1056

*No report. Figures of last year. *Additional Ministerial Members.*—Samuel Day, Agent for Chicago Theological Seminary; Azariah Hyde, Pastor of Independent Presbyterian Church, Polo, Ill.; Milo N. Miles, Geneseo, Ill.—3.

10. QUINCY ASSOCIATION.

Meetings—Thursday preceding the first full moon in April and October. Meeting in October with the Church in Beverly.

CHURCHES.	ORGANIZED.	MINISTERS.	ORDAINED.	Called by this Church.	Installed.	Church Members, April 1, 1867.				Added, 1866-67.			Removed, 1866-67.				Baptisms		Sabbath Schools.
						Males.	Females	Total.	Absent.	Profes'n	Letter.	Total.	Death.	Dism'n.	Excom.	Total.	Adults.	Infants.	
*Barry	1846, Feb. 7	None				8	18	26	4	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	?
*Beverly	1859, Dec. 27	None				10	16	26	1	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	?
Chili	1856, May 24	Ammi R. Mitchell	?	1866	N.	21	25	46	7	4	1	5	0	3	0	3	1	0	?
Dallas City	1859, Jan. 17	William C. Merritt	1846 ?	1866	N.	23	34	57	8	13	8	21	0	15	0	15	5	3	90
Fall Creek, (German,)	1860, Dec 3	Charles E. Conrad	1858, June 9	1860	N.	9	15	24	2	0	0	0	1	3	0	4	0	4	45
Griggsville	(1) 1834, (2) 1837	H. G. McArthur	?	1866	N.	68	90	158	?	25	6	31	0	5	9	14	?	?	150
*Hamilton	1859, May 19	None				7	21	28	5	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	?
La Harpe	(1) 1836, (2) 1848	Samuel R. Thrall	1842, Apr. 13	1865	N.	23	46	69	8	5	3	8	1	0	0	1	3	0	?
*Macomb	1858, Oct. 2	None				9	18	27	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	?
Mendon	1833, Feb	Alex. B. Campbell	1851, April 7	1855	N.	42	65	107	10	2	7	9	4	5	0	9	0	3	100
*Montebello	1849, April 19	None				17	35	52	11	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	?
*Newtown	1852, Jan	George W. Williams	1860, April 8	1865	N.	14	26	40	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	70
Payson	1836, May 8	Horatio Foote	1825	1866	N.	30	54	84	1	2	2	4	1	5	0	6	0	0	80
Pittsfield	(P) 1837. (C) 1841	Fred. A. Armstrong	?	1866	N.	75	121	196	41	4	2	6	0	3	0	3	3	4	140
Plymouth	1836, Jun. 6	Chas. M. Barnes	1859, Sept. 6	1866	N.	38	53	91	1	28	3	31	1	7	0	8	12	4	100
Quincy, 1st Cong'l Church	(P) '30, Dec. 4,(C) '33,Oct. 10	S. Hopkins Emery	1837, Nov. 23	1855	1855	90	135	225	40	10	16	26	5	12	0	17	5	8	150
Quincy, Center Cong'l	1847, Aug. 1	L. F. Waldo	1844, July 9	1866	N.	53	75	128	20	2	12	14	2	4	0	6	1	0	150
Quincy, German Cong'l	1858, July 26	Charles E. Conrad	See above	1858	N.	11	13	24	3	4	0	4	2	3	0	5	0	3	60
Rockport and Summer Hill	(1) 1834, (2) 1837, (3) 1844	Wm. Carter	1834, Oct	1867	N.	15	39	54	6	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	115
West Point	1866	Ammi R. Mitchell	See above	1866	N.	6	9	15	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	?
Wythe	1851, Dec. 6	Ammi R. Mitchell	See above	1866	N.	16	16	32	5	0	2	2	0	1	0	1	0	0	40
21 Churches.		13 Min's sup. 16 Chs.				585	924	1509	173	93	63	162	17	66	9	92	30	29	1290

*No report. Figures of last year.

Additional Ministerial Members.—Wm. B. Atkinson, Carthage, Ill.; H. S. Boltwood, Teacher, Griggsville, Ill.; N. P. Coltrin, Centralia, Ill.; Zerah K. Hawley, Missionary, Memphis, Tenn.; Cephas A. Leach, pastor, Brimfield, Ill.; J. D. Parker, Teacher, Topeka, Kansas—6.

11. ROCKFORD ASSOCIATION.

Meetings—Tuesday preceding the first full moon in April and October. Meeting in October with the Church in Roscoe.

CHURCHES.	ORGANIZED.	MINISTERS.	ORDAINED.	Called by this Church	Installed.	Church Members, April 1, 1867.				Added, 1866-67.			Removed, 1866-67.				Baptisms		Sabbath Schools.
						Males.	Females	Total.	Absent.	Profess'n	Letter.	Total.	Death.	Disc'n.	Excom.	Total.	Adults.	Infants.	
*Burritt	1856, April 2	None				6	9	15	3	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	?
Byron	1837, May 24	James P. Stoddard	1861, Aug. 30	1861	N.	33	50	83	8	4	7	11	0	4	0	4	0	2	110
Harvard	1858, April 1	Thomas C. Easton	1859, ?	1866	N.	8	17	25	5	5	2	7	0	0	0	0	0	3	100
*Owen	1857, Feb. 25	None				10	12	22	7	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	75
Pecatonica	1854, Feb. 18	Edward P. Dada	1864, July 21	1864	N.	26	50	76	?	10	4	14	0	5	0	5	4	1	150
Poplar Grove	1863, March 18	D. W. Comstock	1861, June 5	1866	N.	18	40	58	10	25	3	28	0	0	0	0	8	0	75
Rockford, 1st Church	1837, May 5	Henry M. Goodwin	1851, Feb. 19	1850	N.	79	157	236	40	2	6	8	3	7	0	10	1	2	250
Rockford, 2d Church	1849, Nov. 14	Martin P. Kinney	1844, Jan	1861	1864	87	197	284	34	20	23	43	2	20	0	22	7	7	284
Rockton	1838, March 23	None				22	36	58	27	1	3	4	1	0	0	1	1	0	43
Roscoe	1843, Nov. 7	J. S. Graves	1843, April	1866	N.	12	33	45	7	1	2	3	0	4	0	4	1	1	70
Seward	1841, March 27	J. G. Sabin	1853, Aug. 16	1866	N.	17	30	47	6	1	0	1	0	4	0	4	0	0	50
Shirland	1846, April	James Hodges	1838, Oct	1856	N.	20	31	51	5	0	0	0	1	4	0	5	0	0	75
Stillman Valley	1856, May 5	Samuel P. Barker	1861, June 21	1865	N.	30	42	72	2	30	2	32	0	10	0	10	15	0	112
Winnebago	1846, July 11	Henry M. Daniels	1861, June 25	1861	1861	46	66	112	25	1	1	2	2	12	0	14	0	7	150
14 Churches.		11 Min's sup. 11 Chs.				414	770	1184	179	100	53	153	9	70	0	79	37	20	1544

*No report. Figures of last year. And concerning Burritt, the Registrar writes: "No preaching. Church practically extinct"—but the Publishing Committee has no right to treat it as "extinct," until it is so declared by the Association. What has become of the Church at Durand?

Additional Ministerial Members.—Hope Brown, (ord. 1830, June 29,) Rockford, Ill., Agent of Female Seminary; Hiram Decker, (ord. ?) Beloit, Wis.; Joseph Emerson, (ord. ?) Andover, Mass., District Secretary, American and Foreign Christian Union; Gideon S. Johnson, (ord. ?) Rockford, Ill.; John Morrill, (ord. ?) Pecatonica, Ill.; Francis Lawson, (ord. 1847, Oct. 31,) Rockton, Ill., Agent, American Bible Society; Jeremiah E. Walton, (ord. 1857.) North Adams, Mass.—7.

12. SOUTHERN ASSOCIATION.

Meetings—Thursday preceding the first full moon of April and October. Meeting in October with the Church of Waverly.

CHURCHES.	ORGANIZED.	MINISTERS.	ORDAINED.	Called by this Church.	Installed.	Church Members, April 1, 1867.				Added, 1866-67.			Removed, 1866-67.				Baptisms		Sabbath Schools.
						Males.	Females	Total.	Absent.	Profes'n	Letter.	Total.	Death.	Dism'n.	Excom.	Total.	Adults.	Infants.	
Beardstown	(P)'45, Nov.22, (C) '50, Feb. 2	Wm. A. Chamberlin..	1861, Sept. 19..	1864	1866	58	114	172	18	6	2	8	2	6	0	8	2	6	400
Bunker Hill	1838, March 25	Wm. E. Holyoke.....	1851, Dec. 18...	1866	N.	40	54	94	6	11	7	18	2	7	0	9	2	7	150
Chandlerville	(P)'36, Oct. 16, (C)'47, Oct. 13	Joseph R. Kennedy...	1857, May 20...	1866	N.	31	40	71	18	12	3	15	2	5	0	7	5	1	94
Chesterfield	1848, Feb. 6	Henry Dutton Platt..	1851, April 13..	1858	N.	23	35	58	9	8	0	8	0	2	0	2	6	2	35
Collins Station	1859, May 22	Nathaniel P. Coltrin.	1850, Oct. 13...	1867	N.	6	10	16	4	2	0	2	0	6	0	6	0	0	70
Concord	(P) '44, Feb. 2, (C) '48, Nov. 9	Edward B. Tuthill....	1861, Feb. 14...	1865	N.	50	49	99	22	12	2	14	1	5	0	6	9	0	138
Hillsboro, Central	1859, Nov. 22	None				25	30	55	6	9	4	13	1	1	0	2	2	3	100
Hoyleton	1858, April 10	Jas. Scott Davis.....	1856, July.....	1861	N.	28	32	60	22	11	0	11	1	8	0	9	7	1	50
Jacksonville	1833, Dec. 15	Jas. Grey Roberts....	1858, Dec. 2....	1864	N.	63	124	187	25	7	7	14	0	9	0	9	7	2	150
New Berlin	1859, Oct. 1	None				8	7	15	11	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	*80
Rosemond	1856, Sept. 7	Alfred A. Whitmore..	1846, ?	1866	N.	25	30	55	6	2	7	9	1	10	0	11	0	3	120
Sandoval	1859, April 20	Nathaniel P. Coltrin.	See above.....	1867	N.	11	17	28	2	1	2	3	0	2	0	2	1	4	*80
Springfield	1867, Feb. 6	None				33	49	82	0	4	78	82	0	0	0	0	1	0	200
Waverly	1836, June 15	Henry M. Tupper.....	1859, Oct. 12...	1859	1859	56	66	122	20	4	3	7	4	16	0	20	2	6	185
Woodburn	(1) '38, Mh.25, (2) '42, Sep. 13	Gideon Colton Clark.	1847, Sept. 29...	1864	N.	30	55	85	8	17	1	18	4	3	2	9	6	5	60
15 Churches.		11 Min's sup. 12 Chs.				487	712	1199	177	106	116	222	19	80	2	101	50	40	1912

*Union School.

Additional Ministerial Members.—Theron Baldwin, (ord. 1829, Aug. 26,) New York City, Secretary, Western Collegiate Society; Charles B. Barton, (ord. 1841, June 22,) Woodburn, Ill., preaching; Joseph Avery Bent, (ord. 1854, Nov. 1,) Wheaton, Ill., Professor, Wheaton College; Rufus Patch, (ord. 1859, April 17,) Ontario, Indiana, Teacher; George Lewis Roberts, (ord. 1864, June 16,) Tremont, Ill., pastor; Julian M. Sturtevant, (ord. 1829, Aug. 26,) Jacksonville, Ill., President, Illinois College—6.

SUMMARY OF THE STATISTICAL TABLES.

NAME OF ASSOCIATION.	PLACE AND TIME OF ORGANIZATION.	MINISTERS. MEMBERS: Of this Associ'n. In charge of Churches within its bounds.	Without charge, or in other fields of labor.	Of some other denomina'n, some Congl body beyond the State.	Of some other District Association in this State.	Licentiates.	Total.	CHURCHES. Supplied in full.	Supplied in part.	Unsupplied.	Total.	Added last year.	Removed last year.	Increase or Decrease.	CHURCH MEMBERS. Males.	Females.	Total.	Non-resident.	ADMISSIONS. By Profession.	By Letter.	Total.	REMOVALS. By Death.	By Dismission.	By Excommunication.	Total.	Increase or Decrease.	BAPTISMS. Adults.	Infants.	Members of Sabbath Schools.
1. Bureau	Princeton, 1857, July 7	11	8	3	2	1	25	15	4	6	25	1	0	+1	640	1073	1713	202	165	137	302	15	110	3	128	+174	56	47	2430
2. Central	Farmington, 1844, Oct	6	4	1	2	1	14	7	4	5	16	0	0	0	244	410	654	72	57	62	119	4	23	0	27	+ 92	20	3	1281
3. Central East	Kankakee, 1861, May 16	7	0	0	1	0	7	8	0	3	11	0	0	0	176	308	484	76	49	38	87	0	17	1	18	+ 69	17	20	769
4. Central West	Farmington, 1859, Oct. 25	15	6	2	2	0	25	18	2	8	28	1	0	+1	1006	1654	2660	252	277	125	402	33	129	3	165	+237	80	40	2290
5. Chicago	Chicago, 1853, May	15	14	1	0	0	30	15	2	2	19	2	0	+2	790	1331	2121	109	264	385	649	13	160	3	176	+473	77	84	4028
6. Elgin	Elgin, 1852, Aug. 3	8	10	6	1	0	25	13	4	10	27	0	0	0	608	1099	1707	195	136	90	226	9	43	2	54	+172	57	15	1914
7. Fox River Union	Big Grove, 1835, June 26	16	13	3	2	0	34	19	4	6	29	0	0	0	760	1355	2115	284	139	158	297	26	145	7	178	+119	60	43	2874
8. Genesco	Genesco, 1851, April 26	3	1	0	0	0	4	2	2	0	4	0	0	0	195	346	541	40	54	43	97	5	13	0	18	+ 79	17	17	485
9. North Western	Polo, 1861, May 15	5	3	2	0	0	10	7	0	5	12	0	0	0	202	381	583	53	32	35	67	4	21	0	25	+ 42	11	1	1056
10. Quincy	Quincy, 1834, Nov. 29	9	6	3	1	0	19	11	5	5	21	1	0	+1	585	924	1509	173	99	63	162	17	66	9	92	+ 70	30	29	1290
11. Rockford	Rockford, 1848, Feb. 16	7	7	4	0	0	18	11	0	3	14	0	1	-1	414	770	1184	179	100	53	153	9	70	0	79	+ 74	37	20	1544
12. Southern	Jacksonville, 1851, Oct. 23	7	6	2	2	0	17	10	2	3	15	1	0	+1	487	712	1199	177	106	116	222	19	80	2	101	+121	50	40	1912
		109	78	27	13	2	*229	136	29	56	†221	6	1	45	6107	10363	16470	1806	1478	1305	2783	154	877	30	1061	+1722	512	359	21873

*From this sum total, as usual, is to be deducted the number of ministers, belonging to one Association, and laboring within the bounds of another.

†This is the sum of Associated Congregational Churches in the State. Only *one* Unassociated Church is reported,—the Welsh Congregational Church, of Coal Valley, Henry County,—within the bounds of Geneseo Association, and nothing save its name is sent us. There are a few others on the borders of Indiana, Iowa, and Wisconsin, which are reckoned in the Associations of those States, and until they love their own State well enough, to unite with and report to some District Association which reports to us, we know no remedy, although very desirous to oblige and consult the convenience of our excellent statistical friend of Massachusetts. Due notice is therefore given, "to all whom it concerns," that they will find the statistics of churches of this State who report elsewhere, in the minutes of States, with which they are in Associational connection. "Pilgrim" of Chicago reports Lincoln Park Church, Chicago, Downer's Grove and Babcock's Grove, both 20 miles from Chicago, just organized.—Also, at Brighton, in Macoupin Co., a Congregational Church was organized the 6th of June, with 27 members.

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ITEMS from the Stated Clerks of the District Associations.

The Stated Clerk of Bureau Association, (Rev. Addison Lyman) writes:

"Revivals of religion in Providence, La Salle, Atkinson, Lamoille, and Neponset. Church edifice destroyed by fire at Lamoille; funds raised for rebuilding. Meeting house nearly completed at Anawan. S. G. Wright dismissed from Dover and installed at Neponset. George H. Wells called to Amboy, in place of L. J. White, resigned. W. B. Christopher dismissed from Mendota. Church organized at Wyanet."

For an account of the contributions of the churches to objects, other than the seven designated by the General Association, see the note supplementary to the tabular view of contributions to the seven objects. This Brother labors faithfully and successfully in gathering up the statistics from the churches.

The Stated Clerk of Central Association (Rev. W. H. Daniels) writes:

"Great revival in Livingston county. New church edifices at Normal, Odell, and Gridley. Dwight preparing to build. Churches of Lincoln and Tremont are this year self-sustaining."

The Registrar having written, during the heat of summer, possibly with some heat of temper, deploring the dearth of figures from the churches of that Association, the answer comes:

"I know of no way of getting full reports from all our churches, except by a tour of inspection. There are in our Association several churches who have nothing but a name, and who are not represented in our meetings. I know of no way of reaching them." (It is humbly suggested that at the October meeting at Odell, a committee of "inspection" and friendly visitation be appointed. Would not this be a wise movement in all our Associations—so that "the things which remain"—should there be any—"that are ready to die," may be *strengthened.*)

The Stated Clerk of Central East Association (Rev. F. W. Beecher) writes:

"Revivals at Champaign and Monee. The church at the former place have completed and dedicated a fine house of worship. The churches at Monee and Rantoul are soon to arise and build. There is healthy life and increase throughout the Association."

The Stated Clerk of Central West Association (Rev. James D. Wyckoff) writes:

"A state of healthy growth. We have heard the voice of our God in our churches. Two houses of worship built. A third, begun last year, finished. Two parsonages fitted up. Fifteen ministers changed their relations. Six only are installed."

This Brother has labored faithfully on statistics, and a supplement showing contributions of churches may be found, as of Bureau and the other Associations, in supplementary note to the tables.

The Stated Clerk of Chicago Association (Rev. E. C. Barnard) writes:

"Plymouth and New England churches, Chicago, and church at Woodstock, have dedicated houses of worship. Church organized at Hinsdale. Rev. C. D. Helmer installed pastor of Union Park church; Rev. L. E. Matson, pastor of New England church, Chicago. The Tabernacle church, Chicago, growing out of a Mission School, has a membership of 300, and a Sabbath School of a thousand, with Rev. J. W. Healy as pastor. E. C. Barnard, C. M. Sanders and James Tompkins, have received ordination, and act as pastors at Jefferson, Lyonsville, and Danby. I find on our books about twenty names of ministers, who have been in Chicago, and have been members of the Association, but I have no means of knowing whether they are retired ministers or not. I have endeavored to get information, but failed."

In this newly appointed Registrar of the Chicago Association, we find a faithful worker on statistics.

The Stated Clerk of the Elgin Association (Rev. I. B. Smith) writes:

"The churches of Elgin, St. Charles, Geneva, Dundee, and Crystal Lake, have been particularly blessed. The churches of Fremont, Dement and Mil-

burn, have built houses of worship; St. Charles and Dundee repaired; Crystal Lake soon to build. Rev's Adams, of Fremont; Bross, of Milburn; Oxnard, of Elgin; Snow, of Udina; Harrison, of Union; and Harwood, of Crystal Lake, have resigned their pastorates. Elgin, Fremont, Union and Udina, have secured successors."

The Stated Clerk of the Fox River Union (Rev. Wm. L. Bray) writes:

"Six churches nearly dead. Several churches have enjoyed precious seasons of revival. Those receiving greatest accessions, Plymouth church, Ottawa; Wheaton, Plainfield and Marseilles. One house of worship built and several repaired."

The Clerk has labored over the subject of contributions from the churches, which will appear in their place.

The Union having increased its churches, so as to allow no space on the page assigned it among the tables for the Additional Ministerial Members, they are here given:

Jonathan Blanchard, (ord. 1838, Oct. 31.) Wheaton, Ills., Pres't. of Wheaton College; Robert Brown, (ord. 1862, Dec.) Leavenworth, Kansas; Alexander W. Chapman, (ord. 1850, May 2.) Minooka, Ills.: Sylvanus S. Cone, (ord. 1858, Oct. 27.) Waynesville, Ills.; Henry A. Dickinson, (ord. 1863, Oct. 16.); Charles P. Felch, Lacon, Ills.; Joel Grant; George B. Hubbard, (ord. 1848, Apr. 16.) Atlanta, Ills.; George P. Kimball, (ord. 1857, May 21.) Wheaton, Ills.; Theophilo Lorriaux, Quievy, France; Daniel R. Miller, (ord. 1838, Oct. 10.) Lisbon, Ills.: J. L. Richards, (ord. 1844, May 27.) Big Rock, Ills.: Luman Wilcox, Earl, Ills.—13.

The Stated Clerk of the Geneseo Association (Rev. J. A. Mack) writes:

"A Convention was held at Sheffield, April 7th, at which the Geneseo Association was in part reconstructed. We are looking for such accession of churches and ministers, as will make us strong. There have been revivals at Geneseo and Moline."

The Stated Clerk of North Western Association (Rev. W. D. Webb) writes:

"The churches at Nora and Sterling have been revived, and there have been many conversions. Rev. L. H. Higgins has been ordained and installed as pastor of the church at Lanark. Rev. Martin Post has also been installed at Sterling."

The Committee on Narrative in this Association, of which Azariah Hyde is Chairman, report in addition, Lanark and the Independent Presbyterian church at Polo, as visited with revivals. "In Polo,"—they say—"temperance is triumphant, and prohibition a success."

The Stated Clerk of Quincy Association (Rev. A. B. Campbell) writes:

"One church has been formed the year past. All of our churches, except one, may be said to be alive and in a prosperous condition. Though not doing according to their ability as yet, we believe them foremost in every good work which tends to honor God or bless mankind."

The Stated Clerk of Rockford Association (Rev. H. M. Goodwin) writes:

"Revivals of unusual interest and power have been enjoyed by the churches of Rockford, Pecatonica, Poplar Grove, and Stillman Valley, resulting in a large increase of strength and numbers. One house of worship has been built and dedicated at Harvard; another contemplated at Seward."

The Stated Clerk of Southern Association (Rev. H. M. Tupper) writes:

"Chandlerville, Concord and Woodburn alone report revivals, though all the churches, save one, have had accessions by profession, and more or less religious interest. A new Congregational church has been *organized at

*A letter just received from the indefatigable statistical brother, who acts for this Association, states that a Congregational church is organized at Brighton, with twenty-seven members, to be followed by similar movements elsewhere, according to the signs of the times. He also adds: "A *fourth* letter to Sandoval has failed to bring any reply. I shall send one more, enclosing postage stamp, as I did in the last, and if *that* fails, I shall *despair*." And if *this* brother pronounce a case hopeless, *who will undertake?*

Springfield, under very favorable auspices, and expects soon to be supplied with a pastor. Bro. Chamberlin was installed pastor of the church at Beardstown, the 10th of last July. Rosemond and Sandoval have completed new houses of worship. Bro. Davis will leave Hoyleton for Hillsboro' in July."

Thus changes are occurring, whilst these pages pass through the press, which make the post office address of our members, as reported, unreliable for the year.

"The Patriarch of the Association is Bro. Platt, still young however, but the longest in his present field of labor, viz: nine years. Only seven of the fifteen churches, just less than one-half, have had their present ministers more than two years. Two are upon their second year, and one supplying two churches upon his first. The remaining four churches are unsupplied. Returns from the churches have been more full and prompt than usual. All reported seasonably save one—Sandoval—still*behind hand. Beardstown, Concord, Jacksonville, New Berlin, and Waverly, deserve to be printed in capitals and specially commended, for furnishing statistics that exactly tally with those of last year, evincing care and attention in record. Chandlerville comes within one of it; while as specimen of the rest, we have Bunker Hill by adding 9, bringing her membership up from 71 last year to 94 this; Chesterfield, adding six, and yet having same number as last year; Collins, losing four, yet by some singular inversion, increasing from thirteen to sixteen; Hillsboro', *vice versa*, by adding eleven, reduces membership from fifty-eight to fifty-five; Hoyleton, like manner, by adding two, sinks from sixty-six to sixty; Rosemond, by loss of two, falls from sixty-six to fifty-five; Woodburn, only less wonderfully, by adding nine, changes seventy-one to eighty-five. Would it not be well to adopt some uniform method of reckoning, and what better than the common rules of addition and subtraction? Will not the church clerks brush up their arithmetic a little?"

NOTE Explanatory and Supplementary to printed Resolutions on Temperance. (*See Appendix, p.* 23.)

N. B. A letter just received from Rev. A. L. Riggs, of Lockport, special committee on the subject of Temperance, states what the minutes (see p. 11.) neglect to mention, that the Report as well as Resolutions on that subject, was ordered printed. Not being present at that session, the Publishing committee was misled by the omission of the minutes, which is his excuse for not printing. The Report states that the first work of the committee was to send a letter to each of the local Associations for their consideration, at the Fall meetings. He also sent a series of questions, calling for a reply, to more than 200 of our ministers. Answers came from one-fourth of them. In view of these answers, the conclusion is reached, that "the state of the work in the churches is encouraging. Their members are for the most part identified with the work in some form. The Temperance Pledge is regarded as a part of their Covenant. They need to do more however through the Sabbath School and the circulation of Temperance reading, especially the Youth's Temperance Banner. Ministers have wrought well through sermons, public addresses, and their printed appeals, but there is a wider field in this direction, which should be entered, and occupied. We need, both ministers and laity, a more thorough understanding of the relations of Temperance and Religion. We must have such a broadening and deepening of our christianity, as shall bring it to take hold of the regeneration of the bodily life as

* Perseverance succeeds at length. Sandoval has reported in answer to a *fifth* appeal. In sending the returns, the author of that appeal adds: "as only one has been added above the removals, it would not have made a great deal of difference, to have inserted last year's figures, but for the new mode of computation, now in vogue, whereby this one brings membership up from 20 to 28. We ought to increase rapidly at this rate." Moreover, in these returns, late as they are, neither the name of the minister, nor the date of his ordination are given correctly, as our previous knowledge of both makes certain. Would that the Clerks of churches might remember that whatever is worth doing at all, is worth doing with all possible accuracy, as well as despatch.

within the true range of the Gospel of Christ. Then Temperance will lose the one-sidedness—now its reproach and weakness. Then it will become a live question in every place, while now in quiet country places it is a dead question, because all are sound on this matter, or are supposed to be, but from those very centers of sobriety the young go forth to temptation and ruin. Or, times change and a Railroad comes rushing through these quiet millenial places, and the next thing, the saints are voting a liquor license. The trial came and found an easy prey, because it had been mistakenly supposed that there was no need of preaching temperance where all were temperate, according to the common acceptation of that term; but when we have a truer meaning put into the word, as will be done when Christianity overflows into all humanity, then Temperance will be found a vital reform, as long as bodies are homes of unsanctified souls. We need also to make better use of the means in our hands. The lack of confidence in the simple methods of the Gospel, and the restless longing for something of more decided character comes from not proving the strength of our proper weapons. Those who fear to rely on them are not those who have given them full trial. Much more may be done by the Pulpit, the Platform, and the Press. More may be done in the Sabbath School, the Day School, the Family, and General Society, to teach and exemplify the laws of true life. In some of these ways we have hardly begun to work."

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PLAN of systematic giving to the objects of Benevolence recommended to the Congregational Churches of Illinois, by the General Association.

1. January and February—American Congregational Union; Rev. W. E. Holyoke, Bunker Hill, Secretary and Treasurer.

2. March and April—American Board of Commissioners for Foreign Missions; Rev. Wm. L. Bray, Aurora, Secretary and Treasurer.

3. May—American and Foreign Christian Union; Rev. Wm. Carter, Pittsfield, Secretary and Treasurer.

4. June—American Missionary Association; Rev. J. R. Shipherd, Chicago, Secretary and Treasurer.

5. July and August—Western Education Society; Rev. Prof. S. C. Bartlett, Chicago, Secretary and Treasurer.

6. September and October—Western Tract Agency; Rev. G. S. F. Savage, Chicago, Secretary and Treasurer.

7. November and December—American Home Missionary Society; Rev. Joseph E. Roy, Chicago, Secretary and Treasurer, assisted by Rev. E. Jenney, of Galesburg.

The duty of the Secretary and Treasurer will be to have the general supervision of the cause allotted to him—to issue to all the churches of the State a circular, which shall call attention to the time for collection, and state such facts and incentives as will be adapted to promote the spirit of giving—to use whatever other means he may think wise in securing a regular contribution from every church during the period assigned to each cause, and also to receive the funds sent in, remit the same to the proper Treasuries, and present a report of the whole to this Association, each year.

The following resolutions were adopted in 1861, on the recommendation of the committee reporting plan:

1. The General Association recommends to all the Congregational Churches of the State the adoption of the above plan, and urges upon them the faithful carrying out of its provisions.

2. The Association recommends to all the Ministers of the Churches the instruction of their people upon the christian duty, and the blessings of giving from principle and by system—a hearty effort for the introduction of this plan, and an earnest presentation of each cause in its time, either by a sermon or by a statement of facts and of claims.

TABULAR VIEW OF CONTRIBUTIONS

During the Associational year, 1866-67, by the Associated Congregational Churches of Illinois, to the seven objects of Benevolence, designated in the plan of systematic giving, agreed upon and recommended by the General Association. Published by order of Association.

CHURCHES.	A. B. C. F. M.	Amer'n Miss'y Assoc'n	Amer'n Home Miss'y Society.	Amer'n Cong'l Union.	West'n Tract Agency.	Am. and Foreign Christ'n Union.	West'n Educa'n Society.	All oth'r objects, includ'g Church Exp's.
Abingdon	$ 11 00	$ 11 85	$	$	$ 25 60	$	$	$ 325 00
Albany					10 75		2 35	
Algonquin								
Altona	44 30	42 95			14 00			4900 00
Amboy		97 65	18 81		27 00			977 00
Annawan	3 00	8 00	9 00					1600 00
Arispe								
Atkinson			6 88	8 35				
Atlanta		55 00	15 00		36 00			
Aurora, 1st Church	85 20	189 50	94 25	50 00	96 13		40 00	2849 15
Aurora, N. Eng. Ch.	64 70	90 00	20 00		57 83			1976 35
Avon	29 85		40 00					965 00
Barry				25 00				
Batavia	88 13	145 00	78 63			21 65		
Beardstown	134 40	77 65	102 04				35 00	3237 00
Beverly								
Big Grove								
Big Rock	6 00		6 00		10 57			1214 00
Big Rock, Welsh								106 40
Big Woods		1 25						350 00
Bloomingdale	2 50		20 19					
Blue Island	3 00			10 00	10 00			
Brenton			6 50					
Brimfield	9 12				17 35			
Bristol	10 55	87 20	16 00		36 85		21 00	947 92
Bruce								
Buda	11 65	57 00	15 00	11 00	24 00		14 00	601 25
Bunker Hill	5 00	194 00	82 50					2230 75
Burlington								
Burritt			7 00					
Byron	6 10		19 73		20 30			
Cambridge		23 00	10 00					800 00
Canton	9 00							20820 85
Carpenterville					15 75			310 00
Champaign						11 46		
Chandlerville	9 00		35 50					787 70
Chesterfield	30 00	246 05	43 75	10 00	10 00			535 65
Chicago, 1st Church	534 96	377 00	146 19	1000 00	115 00		120 67	
Chicago, Plym'th Ch	61 15	118 10						
Chicago, South Ch	58 27		40 00		122 90			
Chicago, N. Eng. Ch.	603 52	223 00	144 68		73 00	100 00	124 23	
Chicago, Salem Ch	34 50		12 71		54 92			1500 00
Chicago, Un. P'k. Ch	604 61	495 17	105 00		79 68		76 00	
Chicago, Tab'cle Ch.	19 50				75 00		23 00	
Chili			11 35					1400 50
Clifton	11 40				22 70			
Collins		15 20	16 50		5 50			273 00
Como	37 05		30 40		42 00		10 00	
Concord	30 05	117 45	24 50	29 30				922 90
Cornwall								
Crete		45 15	20 75					
Crystal Lake	130 02	101 00						
Dallas City	7 00							826 00
Danby	5 81		5 50		22 10			
Danvers			11 35	17 50				
Deer Park			19 00					
DeKalb			12 00					
Dement	4 20		5 00					3700 00
Dix								
Dover	100 35	148 00	5 50				15 82	645 00
Dundee	7 59		18 05	14 00	46 00		16 25	1443 30
Dunleith			7 50					
Dwight	12 61						12 00	
Eagle Point			18 25					
East Pawpaw			22 25					
Eden		30 00				5 00		481 00
Elgin	6 00	162 65	60 00		56 85			
Elk Grove								
Elkhorn Grove								
Elmore	9 60		7 00	4 20	2 35			2850 00
Elmwood	52 30	72 61	60 00		147 85		40 00	2783 23

CHURCHES.	A. B. C. F. M.	Amer'n Miss'y Assoc'n.	Amer'n Home Miss'y Society.	Amer'n Cong'l Union.	West'rn Tract Agency.	Am. and Foreign Christ'n Union.	West'rn Educ'n Society.	All oth'r objects, includ'g Church Expens's.
El Paso	$	$	$	$	$ 13 85	$	$	$
Evanston								134 00
Fall Creek, German								2693 85
Farmington	69 00	94 61		22 00	27 30		20 00	
Fremont	6 50	253 50	13 15					
Galena		5 00						
Galesburg, 1st C'h	246 90	100 00	200 00	100 00	170 04		42 00	3955 90
Galesburg, 1st C. C'h	134 00	205 00	200 00	42 10	141 90		27 80	3127 95
Galva	8 90	72 10	7 80		61 43		26 00	1950 60
Gap Grove								
Garden Prairie			10 00		25 25			200 00
Geneseo	106 05	260 00	71 70		45 05	21 10	12 00	
Geneva	24 33	65 50	15 00		13 85			1475 50
Granville	29 70	265 62	35 00	31 75				1455 01
Gridley			5 50	6 00				
Griggsville	91 00		125 00				33 75	1500 00
Hamilton	14 80							
Hampton								
Harvard	3 60		9 70					600 00
Henry								
Hillsboro	3 50		31 65		31 60			6568 61
Hinsdale					11 00			
Homer		11 00						588 00
Hoyleton		25 00	33 50	17 50				459 93
Huntley		5 00	39 50	6 25				
Jacksonville	101 00		4 00	114 00				3209 00
Jefferson		50 13	11 10		28 82			
Jericho			10 00					
Kaneville								
Kankakee	10 00		7 38					
Kewanee		21 00				26 60		2600 25
Knoxville								
Lacon	15 00			29 90	18 00			
Lafayette		20 10						
La Harpe			29 30					
Lamoille	42 00	175 00	40 00				16 00	850 00
Lanark	21 00		12 00	6 00	7 00			
LaSalle	17 20	138 00	65 00					1225 00
Lawn Ridge	18 50	24 33			7 50		10 00	1563 15
Lee Center	22 50	72 00	10 00		25 68			956 50
Lincoln	16 75	5 00						
Lisbon	13 00	78 70	34 10	50 00	120 20	37 98		1619 23
Lisle	6 50	37 20			28 82			
Lockport	30 19	12 40	13 13		8 00		10 50	305 87
Lodi			18 40					
Lyndon	66 00	21 50	3 00		33 08			
Lyonsville	3 20	18 20	7 27		28 47		10 41	
Macomb								
Malden	50 00	246 88						947 13
Malta			5 16		5 50			
Manteno								
Marengo								
Marseilles	3 20		9 10		2 70			2384 00
McLean	5 00		15 00		24 10			
Mendon			37 75		7 70			
Mendota								
Metamora								
Milburn	29 90	16 80	10 00	9 60	8 00		5 00	26 75
Milo			12 50					
Moline	32 45	1 00	38 00	16 00	77 90			
Monee		12 50	42 00					
Montebello	12 80							
Morris	5 00		18 00	22 46				6444 99
Morrison	12 25		25 00			5 03		
Morton								
Munro								
Naperville			30 75				9 00	1464 00
Nebraska				4 00				
Neponset	52 55	96 50	23 00		91 70		13 00	1130 17
Nettle Creek								
Newark	4 00	7 00	19 50	14 00			5 32	1397 00
New Berlin				5 00				15 00
New Rutland	6 00							
Newtown			7 00					
Nora	5 50	12 00			21 55			
Normal					3 50		30 00	

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Oakalla	$	$	$	$	$	$	$	$
Odell	17 00		66 00					
Onarga					6 31			
Oneida	11 50	204 50			41 00			1140 00
Ontario	4 00	175 00						1729 00
Osceola								
Oswego					29 85			
Ottawa, 1st Church	54 00	43 00	39 90			5 50	12 00	2280 47
Ottawa, Plym'th C'h.	50 04	73 10	46 46	32 46			32 13	4555 25
Owen			7 00					
Paxton	1 60							
Payson	189 60	107 95	164 90	71 10				1035 00
Pecatonica			16 50					
Peoria	10 00	157 05			87 59		30 50	1787 00
Peru	41 10	162 85	39 01		84 98		40 15	1300 00
Pittsfield	6 30	13 65			55 00			924 00
Plainfield	5 60	147 25	20 00		31 92			1119 16
Plymouth	4 00				15 00			
Poplar Grove			13 85		29 00			
Port Byron	12 25		9 00					
Prairie City	21 85			20 00	5 70			855 00
Princeton	73 75	230 75			110 95		10 00	3054 69
Providence			21 40		22 20			319 00
Quincy, 1st Church	136 25	64 20	54 36	76 89	83 75	22 00	56 80	7045 18
Quincy, Center C'h.	21 60	47 00			157 43			4457 50
Quincy, (Ger. Cong.)	2 15							140 00
Rantoul								
Riley								
Ringw'd. & McHenry		7 50						
Rockford, First C'h.	51 25	90 00	52 05	18 06	1 00	20 38	19 00	
Rockford, Second C'h.	402 33	2654 68	178 59	60 70		124 02		
Rockp't & Sum'r Hill	3 35		20 80			13 00		
Rockton	9 45	86 92	45 65					
Roscoe	10 00		7 50		18 00			
Rosefield		12 63			20 00			475 00
Rosemond	15 50	5 00	16 60		30 85			3130 85
Roseville	14 00	21 90	6 00	4 45	5 65	5 50	5 66	1507 85
Salem								
Sandoval		20 00						
Sandwich		35 01	71 18		32 34	6 79	21 00	1653 66
Saunamin								
Seward								
Sheffield	33 00	20 00	31 65		29 25		11 55	774 75
Shirland	13 90		30 00	7 00			10 00	
Springfield					57 73			2018 00
St. Charles		30 00	14 25		35 48			3533 35
Sterling	39 50			25 00	38 93	13 96	26 00	
Stillman Valley		101 00						
Sycamore	8 00	8 00	17 45		61 12			1600 00
Tonica	5 00		30 00					752 00
Tonlon	2 00							
Tremont	1 50							
Turner								
Twin Grove			4 00					
Udina	3 80		35 00		18 70			40 00
Union	1 20		10 00		21 13			411 00
Vermillion			1 65					
Vermont	2 00		8 95					
Victoria	5 00		8 00	10 00	36 10			393 65
Vienna	1 00		20 00		5 00			
Viola			20 00					
Wataga	27 65	191 50					14 55	689 16
Waukegan	12 60		16 00	7 00				
Wauponsie			21 25					544 00
Waverly	126 40	197 85	232 40		20 00	12 00		2304 75
Wayne	3 65		6 00					
West Point								
Wethersfield	9 33	18 50	22 70			7 55		
Wheaton	143 56	36 75	36 06	15 55	17 00		18 50	2792 66
Winnebago	37 25		10 50	70 00	63 25		10 25	
Woodburn	195 25			26 15				1543 75
Woodstock			16 20		38 40			
Wyanet								
Wythe	5 50		8 85					
Total	*6034 12	**10632 53	†4293 85	‡2120 27	‖3678 08	††458 62	§§1139 19	¶¶68 108 72

*Add from other sources supposed to be Congregational, as follows: Albion, $31.20; Carpenterville, Sabbath School, $1.70; Chicago, Elm St. Mission Sabbath School, $44.81; Chicago, Mosely Mission Sunday School, $14.60; Joliet, Sabbath School, $4.75; Marshall, $6.00; Oak Park, $61.11; Richmond, $1.50; Rockford, Teachers and Pupils of Female Seminary, $100.00; West De Page, $20.00; Total, $285.67. The sums total this year are not as large as last, by $187.12; while the number of churches contributing this year is larger than *ever* before. In 1865, 86 churches gave $5,560.66. In 1866, 77 churches gave $6,530.71. This year, 132 churches give $6,317.59. Of this sum $1,152.21 have been given towards building the New Morning Star; leaving the sum given for the general uses of the Board $1,335.33 less than last year. I hope next year will show a much larger sum total. And I trust no church, which has given this year will fail to give next. "The field is the world," and the Master is saying, "Go *ye* into all the world, and preach the Gospel to every creature."

**Add from other sources, probably Congregational: Black Earth, $33.75; Farm Ridge, $15.50; Richmond, $22.50; Royalton, $7.00; Total, $78.75. Nine churches pledge the entire support of a Teacher. Twenty-five pledge one-half the support. Thirteen pledge one-third or one-fourth the support, and boxes of clothing and books have been sent by twenty-two churches, valued at $1,767.25.

†Add from other sources and Congregational: Albion, $31.50; Bradford, a friend, $10.00; Brighton, $100.00; Chicago, N. Norton, $50.00; Dixon, Mrs. D., $1.00; Forrest, $6.00; Harlem, $13.45; Marshall, $15.00; Monticello, $80.00; Polo, $111.75; Somonauk, $2.00; A Friend, $1.00; Total, $432.30. In addition to this, we are gratified in being able to report the receipt of the very liberal legacy from the estate of the late Flavel Moseley, of Chicago, $10,000.00—less U. S. Revenue Tax. $600.00—$9,400.00.

‡Add from other sources and Congregational: Albion, $8.75; Coal Valley, $10.00; Walnut Grove, $12.15; Total, $30.90. Less than one-fourth of all the Congregational churches in Illinois have contributed to the Congregational Union during the past year. Appropriations *paid* to churches in Illinois during this period: Dement, $500.00; Elmore, $500.00; Gridley, $500.00; Harvard, $500.00; Hillsboro, $500.00; Lisle, $400.00; Monee, $500.00; Normal, (a loan) $1,000.00; Sandoval, $500.00; Union, $100.00; Walnut Grove, $500.00; Woodstock, $500.00; Total, $6,000.00. During the past *ten* years appropriations *have been paid* to 51 churches in Illinois, to the amount of $17,901.00. The Congregational Union now is pledged to the amount of $3,000.00 to 6 other churches, making a total of $20,901.00 granted to 57 churches in Illinois, during ten years, toward building houses of worship. About one-fourth of all the Congregational Churches in Illinois, have been aided in building houses of worship by the American Congregational Union. Many of the churches receiving aid seem to have forgotten the following condition:—"It is made a condition of every appropriation that each Church, receiving aid, shall vote to make, *and make a contribution every year* to the funds of the American Congregational Union." It should be added that several churches have contributed, to the amount probably of $1,500.00, to the Congregational Church of Normal, and in response to special appeals from struggling churches elsewhere.

\Add from other sources and Congregational: Babcock's Grove, $20.35; Genoa, $5.28; Oak Park, $136.97; Polo, $124.71; Richmond, $12.20; Total, $299.51. Last year, 53 churches contributed $2,048.90, an average of $38.05, each church. This year, 94 churches contributed $3,985.00, an average of $42.40 to each church contributing. Of this amount, $3,904.99 was contributed to the American Tract Society, Boston; $63.70 to the American Tract Society of New York, and $17.00 to the American Reform Book & Tract Society, Cincinnati.

††The Presbyterian churches of the State, both Old and New School, have contributed during the same period, $910.66. The Methodist and all other churches, $159.15, making a sum total of $1,527.43. The preceding year, it was $1,288.76, of which there came from the Congregational churches, $677.28, or $219.66 *more* than the last year.

‡Add to this from other sources and Congregational: Almont, $8.00; Marshall, $5.00; Oak Ridge, $8.55; Summerville, $5.00; Polo, Rev. R. M. Pierson, $10.00; Total, $36.55. Prof. Bartlett, the Secretary and Treasurer for this object, adds: "Several features in this Report are encouraging. First, a larger number of churches (49) have contributed than in any previous year, 42 being the largest number heretofore. Second, the sum raised is $260.00 more than in either year before. Third, this increase of receipts has come by a greater increase in the sums received from the churches outside of Chicago,—the collections in Chicago having in fact fallen off $150.00 from the previous year. Many of the country churches have done very nobly. The entire number of churches in Illinois that have aided during the *three years* of the Society's existence is 73. Meantime there has been some advance in the contributions of other States.—Michigan, which gave $123.00 the first year, and $150.00 the second, has this year given $315.00. Iowa has advanced from $113, and $105 to $162.00. Wisconsin remains nearly stationary at $191, 191.45 and $205.00. Missouri, which last year gave $223.00, chiefly from one church, has this year contributed but $28.75. Minnesota has fallen off from $49.80 last year to $28.00 this year. Aid from outside sources and sums refunded, which amounted to $165 and $60.00 respectively in the two former years, has been diminished this year to $25.00. The total amount received from various sources this year has been $2,029.75, being about $300 in advance of last year. With this amount twenty-nine students in Chicago Theological Seminary have been aided, in sums ranging from $30 to $120.00. An amount nearly as great has been furnished by the American Education Society, to a portion of these young men, or they would probably have been obliged to suspend their studies at this Institution. But the American Education Society has notified us, that the Western Churches must not lean so heavily on that Society. The Churches will take notice then that they have raised but about half enough money for the Students in the Theological Seminary. But their number must rapidly increase; and the work is not to be confined to them. The Plan and purpose of this Society is to extend aid, as soon as the Churches render it practicable, to young men in the Colleges also. The entire number of young men studying for the ministry in all these Institutions, who need beneficiary aid, must be upwards of seventy already; and if the churches will but meet them with a generous welcome, it

will soon be more than double that number. The Triennial Convention at its late meeting adopted, among other resolutions on the subject, the following:

"*Resolved*, That it is in the highest degree desirable that every one of our churches contribute annually to educate young men for the ministry.

Resolved, That the Executive Committee of the Central Society take measures to have this subject presented to our Churches as speedily and thoroughly as possible; and that we the members of this Convention pledge them our cordial co-operation and aid in the same."

In accordance with their instructions the Committee now propose to raise for the present year the sum of $5,000 instead of $2,000 as heretofore, that they may carry out the design of the Society and begin to cover the whole field. And they propose in compliance with the above resolutions to bring this cause *before every one of these Churches*, and so far as is possible to secure a definite pledge and a definite time of contribution in each of them; and they trust that their efforts in this common and vital interest will be heartily seconded by all their brethren."

Instead of the supplementary note or table, which was promised—to economise space, the columns heretofore appropriated to the summing up of number of objects and amounts given to the seven objects, are devoted to the reported contributions of churches to all other objects, including church expenses, salary of minister, building and repairing of church edifices, parsonages, &c. What is done imperfectly this year, we hope to have better done next year, with the advantage of a special and uniform schedule, calling for the returns, classifying and defining more distinctly the objects. It will be noticed, that the Registrars of the Bureau, Central West, Elgin, Southern Associations, and Fox River Union, have given particular attention to these returns, the last year. The call for them was to all the Associations alike, and we have not failed to publish any that have been sent in. According to our Table, only three churches have contributed to ALL the seven objects, viz: Quincy, 1st Church, Rockford, 1st Church, and Roseville. The largest contribution to any one of the seven, is from the 2d Church of Rockford, and the 1st Church of Chicago. The whole amount contributed, as reported, is $38,920.34, an increase of $14,782.80 over last year. Thirty-three churches have contributed nothing, if the figures of our table tell the truth, and of these, not one is reported as having contributed to other objects. The sum total raised for all objects, including church expenses, is $207,029.06, which is far short of the full amount, as some of the largest churches, and most liberal in salary and home contributions, have not reported. The principal part of the sums credited to the churches of Altona, Big Rock, Canton, Chili, Dement, Elmore, Hillsboro, and perhaps some others, is for building purposes, either Church or Parsonage.

It is suggested to the Secretaries and Treasurers for the seven objects named in the Table, that hereafter it will be best to understand the Associational Year from April to April, as the time for which to collect and report contributions. The churches will report to the Associations for that time, as several of our Spring meetings occur in that month, and it is impossible to bring the account down to a later period. Let there be a uniformity, therefore, as to time, and the schedules for the churches will be made out accordingly. With our schedules and well arranged system, there is no reason why, next year, we should not have a "Tabular View," which for correctness and fullness will surpass anything yet brought out. Speaking of "correctness," reminds us of a remark appended to a letter of a very excellent and critical friend, who returned several forms of this year's Minutes, sent to be proved—he had "no doubt there were mistakes in them, tho' he had been unable to find them." We will certainly be thankful to any brother who is so fortunate, or rather unfortunate as to find them, and will point them out. The MAP, which is a feature NEW, if nothing else, with this Association, has been corrected, and perfected, so far as possible. If mistakes are still discovered, please notify the Statistical Secretary. FULL names of ministers are NOT given in the Tables, altho' Bro. Quint desires it, for the reason there is not room, but EVERY name, in all its length and breadth, and FULLNESS, so far as reported, is to be found in what our Massachusetts brother, with all the enthusiasm of Burial Hill, is pleased to pronounce a "*beautiful* list," in his excellent article on Statistics, in the April number of the Congregational Quarterly. But he knows the difficulty of worming out of a man the meaning of those cabalistic letters, which stand as prefixes to his surname, commonly called *initials*, when, as from one of our churches last year, there came an official document, duly signed by the Clerk, certifying, "Within statistics made up with the AID of the minister and church," and strange to say, even the initials were wanting! with several other most perplexing deficiencies. But all this is a necessary part of the experience of him who will meddle with such things. The lone brother, who lives out in Evanston, (See Table of Chicago Association, p. 33,) and who has been in no better condition since 1863, is commended to the kind attentions of the Chicago brethren, if haply they may find a yoke fellow for him in his solitude. It is the smallest church reported, and it is a question worth considering, whether *one* is a number sufficiently large to constitute a church. As this is the only vacant place, in which to have a parting word with the Registrars of the District Associations, this is to thank them for their great painstaking in securing complete returns and full tables. The only brethren who have been so fortunate as to succeed, are those who represent the first and the last—Bureau and Southern—and the last barely succeeded—Sandoval coming in at the eleventh hour, saved as by fire. My compositor, who set up the tables, and who has remembered the printer's rule to make the width of his columns uniform, complains of nothing more than the interrogation points. Let us have *none* of them next year—what say you, brother Registrars? The schedules for returns will be liberally supplied you, in addition to the form, found as usual on the cover of the Minutes. What if we should all emulate the good example of Bros. Lyman and Tupper, and give the ministers and church clerks no rest, till they answer every question, telling "the truth, the *whole* truth, and nothing but the truth," and let them come up to *time*, which is the MONTH OF APRIL, remember, and *not* May or June, as was the case with too many this year. The returns have been coming in down to the very moment of striking off the last form, which is a procedure very provoking to the types, and to those who have their handling. If an Associational Table, such as appears in the minutes, could come from the hands of the Stated Clerk of each Association the *first week* of *May*, complete and perfected, ready as copy for the printer, with no old report, or figures of a former year, but fresh from the churches, each column filled, and its figures added up—the sum total in every case right—it would be a novel and most refreshing sight, answering, in part, the question, how can we have the Minutes sooner?

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PLACES OF MEETING, OFFICERS AND PREACHERS OF THE GENERAL ASSOCIATION OF ILLINOIS.

YEAR.	PLACE.	MODERATOR.	SCRIBE.	ASSISTANT SCRIBE.	REGISTRAR.	CORRESPON'G SEC'Y.	PREACHER.	TEXT.
1844	Farmington	William Carter	J. T. Holmes	None	Milo N. Miles	J. T. Holmes	L. H. Parker	No record
1845	Princeton	Asa Donaldson	R. M. Pearson	"	"	"	Horatio Foote	Matt. vii: 29
1846	Farmington	Joseph T. Holmes	Milo M. Miles	"	"	R. M. Pearson	J. T. Holmes	Matt. v: 14
1847	Galesburg	Horatio Foote	Wm. C. Merritt	"	"	"	Wm. Carter	Matt. xvi: 3
1848	Jacksonville	Lucius H. Parker	R. M. Pearson	"	"	"	J. Blanchard	Col. i: 14
1849	Ottawa	Nath'l C. Clark	Lansing Porter	"	"	"	*	
1850	Rockford	Reuel M. Pearson	S. G. Wright	"	"	M. K. Whittlesey	Levi Spencer	No record
1851	Galesburg	Wm. Kirby	G. S. F. Savage	"	Flavel Bascom	"	†Wm. Carter	Acts v: 42
1852	Peoria	J. Blanchard	M. K. Whittlesey	R. C. Bristol	"	"	Horatio Foote	1 Cor. ii: 4
1853	Quincy	M. K. Whittlesey	Jas. A. Hawley	None	"	"	Flavel Bascom	Luke iv: 18
1854	Chicago	A. B. Hitchcock	G. S. F. Savage	W. E. Holyoke	"	"	Edwin Johnson	Mark iv: 26, 27
1855	Jacksonville	J. C. Holbrook	Wm. E. Holyoke	R. C. Bristol	"	"	N. H. Eggleston	Matt. xiii: 16, 17
1856	Ottawa	J. M. Sturtevant	Lewis Benedict	M. N. Miles	"	"	‡	
1857	Elgin	Edward Beecher	G. S. F. Savage	J. E. Roy	"	"	Edward Beecher	Isaiah ii: 17, 22
1858	Princeton	Flavel Bascom	Wm. Wiswell	Isaac B. Smith	"	"	S. Hopkins Emery	John v: 35
1859	Bloomington	G. S. F. Savage	J. E. Roy	Joseph A. Bent	Reg. & Stat. Sec'y	Cor. Sec. & Treas'r	Wm. W. Patton	Acts i: 8
1860	Aurora	Joseph Haven	James H. Dill	W. E. Holyoke	S. Hopkins Emery	M. K. Whittlesey	H. M. Goodwin	John i: 4 & Heb. ii: 17
1861	Galesburg	S. Hopkins Emery	M. K. Whittlesey	C. F. Martin	"	"	J. M. Sturtevant	Isaiah xxiv: 9
1862	Rockford	Wm. W. Patton	Edwin B. Turner	S. F. Daniels	"	"	Franklin W. Fisk	Mark xii: 37 : last cl's
1863	Geneseo	Samuel C. Bartlett	S. Hopkins Emery	H. C. Abernethy	"	"	Geo. B. Hubbard	Heb. xi: 16: 1st cl's
1864	Quincy	Wm. C Schofield	H. C. Abernethy	Chas. H. Pratt	"	"	Wm. C. Schofield	1 Cor. xv: 25
1865	Peoria	Joseph E. Roy	R. C. Dunn	A. L. Riggs	"	"	F. T. Perkins	Isaiah xliii: 21
1866	Ottawa	Joel Grant	L. J. White	John W. Cass	"	"	H. D. Kitchel	Psalm cvii: 7
1867	Champaign	Martin P. Kinney	Wm. L. Bray	John W. Cass	"	"	John P. Gulliver	James v: 7, 8

*Rollin Mears and R. M. Pearson, primary and alternate, failed. J. A. Hawley, from Connecticut, preached.

†M. K. Whittlesey and R. Mears, primary and alternate, failed. W. Carter preached, having been appointed by Association in 1849, on a special subject.

‡Rollin Mears, primary, deceased. H. M. Goodwin, alternate, failed. C. A. Aiken, from Massachusetts, preached.

(S.)

CHAIRMEN OF COMMITTEES OF THE GENERAL ASSOCIATION OF ILLINOIS.

YEAR.	On Business.	On Religious Exercises.	On Narrative.	On Nomination of Delegates to Corresponding Bodies.	On Leave of Absence.	On Accounts.	On Essays.
1844	John Cross	Milo N. Miles					
1845	Horatio Foote	Asa Donaldson					
1846	Lucius H. Parker	Milo N. Miles					
1847	Jonathan Blanchard	H. H. Kellogg	Milo N. Miles				
1848	" "	J. M. Sturtevant	Darius Gore				
1849	Lucius H. Parker	M. K. Whittlesey	R. M. Pearson	The Moderator			
1850	N. Catlin Clark	M. N. Miles	L. Spencer	"			
1851	L. Spencer	Flavel Bascom	Samuel G. Wright	Wm. Carter			
1852	William Carter	L. H. Parker	J. M. Sturtevant	J. A. Hawley			
1853	" "	A. G. Pease	F. Bascom	Rollin Mears			
1854	N. C. Clark	N. H. Eggleston	S. G. Wright	J. M. Sturtevant			
1855	G. S. F. Savage	E. Johnson	R. Mears	Hope Brown			
1856	William Carter	M. K. Whittlesey	G. S. F. Savage	A. Lyman	Hope Brown		
1857	J. Blanchard	Wm. E. Holyoke	E. Johnson	M. K. Whittlesey	William Carter		
1858	Edward Beecher	S. D. Cochran	W. A. Nichols	Geo. B. Hubbard	Joseph E. Roy		
1859	Horatio Foote	Lathrop Taylor	S. Hopkins Emery	Samuel G. Wright	William Carter		
1860	Samuel C. Bartlett	R. B. Bull	H. M. Goodwin	S. H. Emery	W. A. Nichols		
1861	Flavel Bascom	Edward Beecher	Nath. P. Coltrin	Jeremiah Porter	W. W. Patton		
1862	" "	H. M. Goodwin	Charles F. Martin	George Schlosser	James H. Dill	Wm. E. Holyoke	Wm. E. Holyoke
1863	Wm. C. Schofield	Joseph T. Cook	Joseph A. Johnson	Charles F. Martin	Lewis Benedict	Frederic T. Perkins	Lucien Farnham
1864	Franklin W. Fisk	S. Hopkins Emery	Chas. A. Harvey	Wm. W. Whipple	Joseph A. Johnson	Reuel M. Pearson	E. B. Turner
1865	W. J. Phelps	A. A. Stevens	E. G. Smith	S. G. Wright	Darius Gore	James H. Smith	U. W. Small
1866	Edward Beecher	E. N. Lewis	Flavel Bascom	H. M. Goodwin	Flavel Bascom	T. D. Robertson	F. W. Fisk
1867	Wm. G. Pierce	S. A. Van Dyke	Edward Ebbs	H. L. Hammond	Lathrop Taylor	L. H. Holmes	Wm. E. Holyoke

(T.)

1. CONSTITUTION.

Article 1. This Association shall be called, *The General Congregational Association of Illinois.*

2. Any minister belonging to any local Association in this State, of the sound and evangelical character of which the General Association shall be satisfied, shall be entitled to a seat in this Body; also, one Delegate from each church in such local Association.

3. The presiding officer shall be a Moderator, chosen annually by ballot.

4. There shall be a Corresponding Secretary chosen annually by ballot, who shall conduct the correspondence of the Association, and shall serve as Treasurer.

5. There shall be a Registrar, chosen as above, to keep a true record of the doings of this Body; who shall also act as Statistical Secretary, and be one of the Committee to prepare the Narrative of the State of Religion.

6. The object of this Association shall be to promote intercourse and harmony among the churches, and to secure a more perfect co-operation in every good work.

7. The local Associations shall retain their respective rights and privileges, and no ecclesiastical authority shall ever be assumed by, or delegated to, the General Association.

8. This Association shall meet annually, on the fourth Thursday of May, at half-past seven o'clock P. M.; or, on such day as shall be fixed from time to time.

9. The annual meeting shall be opened with a sermon from the last Moderator. The Lord's Supper shall be administered on the following Sabbath.

10. At each meeting, a preacher and his alternate shall be appointed, by ballot, for the next.

11. The Association shall establish its own standing rules and regulations, subject to alteration at future meetings.

12. This Constitution may be altered at any annual meeting, by a two-thirds vote; provided, such alteration shall have been proposed at a previous meeting.

2. ARTICLES OF FAITH.

Article 1. We believe in one God—the Creator, Preserver and Ruler of the Universe, existing in an incomprehensible Trinity—the Father, Son and Holy Ghost; each possessing all Divine perfections.

Art. 2. We believe that the Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments were given by Inspiration of the Holy Ghost, and are the only infallible rule of faith and practice.

Art. 3. We believe that God created and governs all things for His own glory, according to His eternal purpose; and in perfect consistency with His hatred of sin, the freedom and accountability of man, and the use and efficiency of means.

Art. 4. We believe in the fall of our first parents, and the consequent entire depravity and lost condition of the human race.

Art. 5. We believe that the Lord Jesus Christ, who is very God, assumed our nature, and, by His sufferings and death on the cross, made expiation for the sins of the world, so "that whosoever believeth in Him, should not perish, but have eternal life."

Art. 6. We believe in the necessity of a radical change of heart, that is, "*except a man be born again, he cannot see the Kingdom of God.*"

Art. 7. We believe that the influences of the Spirit are indispensable to make the truth effectual in the conversion of sinners, and in the sanctification of believers; and that this influence is perfectly consistent with the free agency of man.

Art. 8. We believe that all, who are truly regenerated, "are kept by the power of God, through faith unto salvation."

Art. 9. We believe that all, who will finally be saved, were "chosen of God, in Christ, before the foundation of the world."

Art. 10. We believe that the moral law, contained in the ten commandments, is binding on all men as the rule of life, and that obedience to it is the only proper evidence of a change of heart.

Art. 11. We believe that the ordinances of Baptism and the Lord's Supper, together with the Christian Sabbath, are of perpetual obligation; that the Lord's Supper is for believers, and Baptism for believers and their households.

Art. 12. We believe that a credible evidence of a change of heart, is an indispensable ground of admission to the privileges of the visible Church.

Art. 13. We believe that a Church is a company of Christians, associated together for communion in the Gospel Ordinances, and the promotion of holiness—invested by Christ with power to choose their own officers, admit members, and exercise government and discipline according to the Gospel.

Art. 14. We believe in the future resurrection of the body, and final judgment, when all mankind will be judged according to their works, the wicked consigned to endless punishment, and the righteous received to life eternal.

3. GENERAL PRINCIPLES OF CHURCH POLITY.

1. The New Testament contains, in express precept, or in the practice of the apostles and primitive churches, all the principles of church organization and government.

2. There is but one spiritual order of persons in Christ's church.

3. The officers of a particular church are ministers, (called also, bishops, elders and pastors,) and deacons.

4. Each particular church is vested by Christ with the right to choose its own officers, receive, discipline, exclude and restore members, and to regulate all its internal affairs.

5. Each church is so independent of all other ecclesiastical bodies, that they can exercise over it no judicial or legislative authority.

6. The acts of all councils and associations touching doctrine, church order and government, are advisory—not authoritative.

7. Associations are a rational means of that unity in principle and affection among Christians, prayed for by Christ.

8. Churches must withdraw fellowship from ministers or churches that are unsound in doctrine, or disorderly in conduct.

9. We believe that the holding of our fellow-men as property is an immorality in practice; and that the defense of it is a heresy in doctrine, either of which ought to be regarded as a disqualification for church fellowship.

10. We believe that credible evidence of conversion to Christ is a prerequisite to membership in His church.

4. RULES OF BUSINESS.

Rule 1. After the opening sermon, the Moderator of the last meeting, or in his absence, the Pastor of the church with which the Association meets, shall call the Association to order, when a Scribe and Assistant Scribe shall be chosen.

2. The roll of members shall be made out by the Scribe, who shall call upon each member to hand in his name, location, and ecclesiastical connection, on a slip of paper.

3. The Scribe shall call for, receive and count the ballots for Moderator, and declare the person chosen.

4. The Moderator shall open the Association with prayer, after which the minutes of last meeting shall be read.

5. A Committee shall be appointed to prepare business, through whom all business shall come, except by vote of the Association. Not more than one member of the Committee shall be in membership with any one local Association.

6. No member shall withdraw until the close of the session, without leave of absence obtained of the Association.

7. After the devotional exercises each morning, the minutes of the preceding day shall be read and the roll called.

8. Every member, when he wishes to speak, shall address the Moderator, who shall announce the speaker's name.

9. No member shall speak more than twice to the merits of any question in debate, except by special permission of the Body.

10. Every motion, except for adjournment, shall be reduced to writing, if the Moderator or any two members desire it.

11. When a motion is under debate, no motion shall be made except for amendment or division, or to lay on the table, or for the previous question, or to postpone, or for an adjournment. The previous question is, shall the main question now be put?

12. While the Moderator is putting any question, or addressing the Body, no one shall walk out of, or across the house; nor in such case, or when a member is speaking, shall entertain private discourse, or read any printed book or paper, nor when any member is speaking, shall pass between him and the chair.

13. In case of an equal division of votes, the Moderator shall have a casting vote.

14. The Moderator shall continue in office until the next annual meeting of the Association; and, in case of necessity, shall have power to alter the appointed place of annual meeting, of which he shall give public notice in such papers as have the most general circulation among the members.

15. The Reports from Local Associations and Churches on the State of Religion shall be the order of the day on Friday, at 9 o'clock A. M., and Reports from Corresponding Bodies at 3 o'clock P. M., of the same day.

16. It is recommended that the reports of the Churches be condensed, so as not to exceed five minutes each in their presentation, and that the reports of the Registrars be in writing, and not to exceed five minutes.

17. These rules shall be read at the opening of every annual meeting, and shall be in force during the pleasure of the Association, any rules to the contrary previously made notwithstanding.

CONCLUDING NOTE.

Contrary to expectation, a little space is left in this last form to notify the reader, that there suddenly turned up from a pile of MS. overlooked, a few figures from the faithful Registrar of the Chicago Association, which should have appeared in the column of contributions to "other objects, including church expenses," as follows: Bloomingdale, $1,650.00; Blue Island, $325.00; Chicago, 1st Church, $6,500.00; Chicago, Plymouth Church, $8,000.00; Chicago, Tabernacle Church, $4,500.00; Crete, $512.00; Jefferson, $750.00; Lyonsville, $500.00; Waukegan, $710.00; Woodstock, $1,000.00—giving a sum total of $24,447.00, which being added to the sum given on page 49, amounts to $231,476.06—still falling far short of the true amount, as only 101, including the 10 named above, of the 221 churches appear in the last column, and not all these probably have included every item which might properly be found there. This total is made up from the amounts found in the Tables from the Associated Churches, and the additional sources, not associated, but Congregational, included in the notes. The Secretaries and Treasurers for the several objects will confer a favor if, in their reports, they will be careful to arrange the churches in strictly alphabetical order, following the order of the Minutes, and pay close attention to the adding up of the columns, bearing in mind, also, the suggestion of a former note, that the Associational Year for returns from the churches, begins and closes with the 1st of April.

ALPHABETICAL CATALOGUE OF MINISTERS

REPORTED TO THE

General Association of Illinois,

WITH POST-OFFICE ADDRESS.

N. B.—The figures refer to the Association where the name of the Minister may be found.—Where there are two figures, the Minister is a member of one Association, but preaches within the bounds of another. *Prefixed to a name, indicates one not a member of any District Association in this State but connected with some Congregational Body, elsewhere. †Precedes the name of one connected with Presbytery. ‡Is used when the ecclesiastical connection is doubtful or unknown. ‖Designates a Licentiate. ⁋ Means Lutheran.

Abernethy, Henry C., *Oneida*, Knox county..... 4
‡Amsden, Benjamin Monroe, *Crete*, Will county..... 5
Armstrong, Frederic Alexander, *Hamilton*, Hancock county 10
‖Arnold, Arthur E., *Chicago*, Cook county..... 2
Atkinson, William B., *Carthage*, Hancock county.....10
Atkinson, William H., *Chicago*, Cook county..... 5

Baker, Ephraim Hudson, *Marseilles*, LaSalle county..... 7
Baker, Joseph D., *Cambridge*, Henry county 1
Baldwin, D. J., *Oswego*, Kendall county..... 6
Baldwin, Theron, *New York City*.....12
‡Barker, Samuel P., *Hale*, Ogle county.....11
Barnard, Elihu Cooley, *Jefferson*, Cook county..... 5
Barnes, Charles M., *Plymouth*, Hancock county.....1 & 10
Bartlett, Samuel Colcord, *Chicago*, Cook county..... 5
Barton, Charles Backus, *Woodburn*, Macoupin county.....12
Bascom, Flavel, *Princeton*, Bureau county..... 1
‡Bates, Henry, *Canton*, Fulton county..... 4
†Beebee, A. G., *Geneva*, Kane county..... 6
Beecher, Edward, *Galesburg*, Knox county..... 4
Beecher, Frederic William, *Kankakee*, Kankakee county..... 3
Beecher, George E., *Chicago*, Cook county..... 2
†Beecher, W. Judson, *Galesburg*, Knox county..... 4
*Beekman James C., *Naperville*, DuPage county..... 7
Benedict, Lewis, *Lockport*, Will county..... 4
Bent, Joseph Avery, *Wheaton*, DuPage county.....12
Blanchard, Jonathan, *Wheaton*, DuPage county..... 7
Blanchard, W. S., *Chicago*, Cook county..... 1
Blood, John, *Clifton*, Iroquois county..... 3
Boltwood, H. S., *Griggsville*, Pike county.....10
Bray, William L., *Aurora*, Kane county..... 7
Breed, Charles Cleveland, *East Pawpaw*, Lee county..... 7
Brickett, Harry, *Geneseo*, Henry county..... 8
Bross, Harmon, *Ottumwa*, Iowa 6
Brown, Hope, *Rockford*, Winnebago county.....11
Brown, Robert, *Leavenworth*, Kansas..... 7
Brundage, Israel, *Paxton*, Ford county..... 3
Bryant, E. G., *Atkinson*, Henry county.....1 & 8
Bull, Richard B., *Henry*, Marshall county..... 4
Buss, Henry J., *Dement Station*, Ogle county..... 6

Campbell, Alexander B., *Meudon*, Adams county.....10
Carter, William, *Pittsfield*, Pike county.....10

Cass, John Winchester, *Sandwich*, De Kalb county..... 7
Chamberlin, William Aspley, *Beardstown*, Cass county.....12
Chapman, Alexander W., *Minooka*, Grundy county..... 7
Chapman, Daniel, *Huntley*, McHenry county..... 6
Christopher, William B., *Mendota*, LaSalle county..... 1
Church, Bethuel C., *Pontiac*, Livingston county..... 2
†Clark, Daniel, *Plainfield*, Will county..... 7
†Clark, Gideon C., *Woodburn*, Macoupin county.....12
Clark, H. S., *Lincoln*, Logan county..... 2
Clark, Nathaniel Catlin, *Elgin*, Kane county..... 6
Cobb, Henry W., *Chicago*, Cook county..... 5
Coltrin, Nathaniel P., *Centralia*, Marion county.....10 & 12
‡Comstock, D. W., *Kenosha*, Wisconsin.....11
Cone, Sylvanus S., *Waynesville*, DeWitt county..... 7
Conrad, Charles Edward, *Quincy*, Adams county.....10
Cook, Joseph T., *Sycamore*, DeKalb county..... 6

Dada, Edward Payson, *Pecatonica*, Winnebago county.....11
Daniels, Henry M., *Winnebago*, Winnebago county.....11
Daniels, W. H., *Normal*, McLean county..... 2
Davis, James Scott, *Hoyleton*, Washington county.....12
Day, Warren F., *Bloomingdale*, DuPage county..... 5
Decker, Hiram, *Beloit*, Wisconsin.....11
Dickinson, Cornelius E., *Elgin*, Kane county..... 5
Dickinson, Edmund F., *Chicago*, Cook county..... 5
Dilley, Samuel, *Galesburg*, Knox county..... 4
Dixon, James Jedidiah Alexander Tillson, *Woodstock*, McHenry county..... 5
Dodge, William B., *Milburn*, Lake county..... 6
Dole, Sylvester R., *Vienna*, Grundy county..... 7
Drake, Andrew Jones, *Prairie City*, McDonough county..... 4
Dunn, Richard C., *Toulon*, Stark county..... 4

*Easton, Thomas C., *Harvard*, McHenry county.....11
Ebbs, Edward, *Aurora*, Kane county..... 7
Emerson, Joseph, *Andover*, Massachusetts.....11
Emery, Samuel Hopkins, *Quincy*, Adams county.....10
Evarts, Reuben, *New Rutland*, LaSalle county..... 2

Felch, Charles P., *Lacon*, Marshall county..... 7
Fisk, Eli C., *Havana*, Mason county..... 2
Fisk, Franklin W., *Chicago*, Cook county..... 5
Foote, Horatio, *Quincy*, Adams county.....10
Foster, Lemuel, *Blue Island*, Cook county..... 5
Fuller, Francis L., *DeKalb*, DeKalb county..... 6

Garney, E. W., *Dunleith*, Jo Daviess county..... 9
Goodwin, Henry Martyn, *Rockford*, Winnebago county.....11
Gore, Darius, *Lamoille*, Bureau county..... 1
Granger, John L., *Bristol*, Kendall county..... 7
Graves, J. S., *Roscoe*, Winnebago county.....11
Guild, Rufus Barnard, *Galva*, Henry county..... 4
Gulliver, John P., *Chicago*, Cook county..... 5

Hallock, J. A., *Palatine*, Cook county..... 5
‡Hamilton, H. S., *Albany*, Whiteside county..... 9
Hammond, Henry L., *Chicago*, Cook county..... 5
Hancock, Charles, *Union*, McHenry county..... 1
Harmon, Horace H., *Lockport*, Will county..... 7
Harper, Almer, *Port Byron*, Rock Island county..... 8
Haskins, Benjamin F., *Victoria*, Knox county..... 4
Haven, Joseph, *Chicago*, Cook county..... 5
Hawley, Zerah K., *Memphis*, Tennessee.....10
Healey, J. W., *Chicago*, Cook county..... 5
Helmer, C. D., *Chicago*, Cook county..... 5

Hewlings, George R., *Onarga*, Iroquois county..... 3
Higgins, Lucius H., *Lanark*, Carroll county..... 9
Hodges, James, *Shirland*, Winnebago county..... 11
Holyoke, William Edward, *Bunker Hill*, Macoupin county..... 12
Howe, Elbridge G., *Waukegan*, Lake county..... 5
Hubbard, George B., *Atlanta*, Logan county..... 2 & 7
Hyde, Azariah, *Polo*, Ogle county..... 9

Ingersoll, E. P., *Malden*, Bureau county..... 1

Jenney, Elisha, *Galesburg*, Knox county..... 4
Johnson, Gideon S., *Rockford*, Winnebago county..... 11
‡Johnson, Lyman H., *Udina*, Kane county..... 6
Jones, Benjamin T., *Big Rock*, Kane county..... 7

Kellogg, Sylvanus Holbrook, *Wayne*, DuPage county..... 6
*Kennedy, Joseph Reid, *Chandlerville*, Cass county..... 12
Kimball, George P., *Wheaton*, DuPage county..... 7
Kinney, Martin P., *Rockford*, Winnebago county..... 11

Lawson, Francis, *Rockton*, Winnebago county..... 11
Leach, Cephas A., *Brimfield*, Peoria county..... 4 & 10
Leffingwell, Lyman, *Ontario*, Knox county..... 4
Leonard, Lemuel, *Odell*, Livingston county..... 2
Lewis, Edwin N., *Ottawa*, LaSalle county..... 7
Lightbody, Thomas, *St. Charles*, Kane county..... 6
Lloyd, William A., *Morris*, Grundy county..... 7
Lorriaux, Theophile, *Quievy*, France..... 7
Loughead, James, *Morris*, Grundy county..... 7
Lyman, Addison, *Sheffield*, Bureau county..... 1

Mack, Josiah A., *Moline*, Rock Island county..... 8
Markham, Reuben F., *Newark*, Kendall county..... 7
Matson, Lewis E., *Chicago*, Cook county..... 5
*McArthur, H. P., *Griggsville*, Pike county..... 10
Merritt, William C., *Dallas City*, Hancock county..... 10
Miles, Milo N., *Geneseo*, Henry county..... 9
Miller, Daniel R., *Lisbon*, Kendall county..... 7
†Millikan, Silas F., *Wheaton*, DuPage county..... 7
*Mitchell, Ammi R., *Warsaw*, Hancock county..... 10
Montgomery, John A., *Dwight*, Livingston county..... 2
Morrill, John, *Pecatonica*, Winnebago county..... 11

Nichols, Washington A., *Chicago*, Cook county..... 5

Ordway, Samuel, *Neponset*, Bureau county..... 1
Orvis, William B., *Danvers*, McLean county..... 2

Page, Alvah C., *Elgin*, Kane county..... 6
Parker, J. D., *Topeka*, Kansas..... 6 & 10
Parker, Lucius H., *Galesburg*, Knox county..... 1 & 4
Partridge, George C., *Batavia*, Kane county..... 6 & 7
Patch, Rufus, *Ontario*, Indiana..... 12
Patton, William W., *Chicago*, Cook county..... 5
Payson, Albert Lemuel, *LaSalle*, LaSalle county..... 1
Pendleton, Henry G., *Henry*, Marshall county..... 4
Penfield, Samuel, *Nora*, Jo Daviess county..... 9
Pennoyer, Andrew Leeds, *Viola*, Mercer county..... 4
Perkins, Frederic T., *Galesburg*, Knox county..... 3
Phelps, S. Wallace, *Lee Center*, Lee county..... 4
*Phinney, G. W., *Peoria*, Peoria county..... 4
Pierce, William G., *Elmwood*, Peoria county..... 4
Platt, Henry Dutton, *Chesterfield*, Macoupin county..... 12
Pomeroy, Lemuel, *Muscotah*, Kansas..... 1
Porter, Jeremiah, *Chicago*, Cook county..... 5
Porter, Samuel F., *Wheaton*, DuPage county..... 6

Porter, William, *Webster Groves*, Missouri..... 1
Post, Aurelian H., *Peru*, LaSalle county..... 1
Post, Martin, *Sterling*, Whiteside county..... 9

Rawson, George A., *Batavia*, Kane county..... 6
Richards, John Lewellyn, *Big Rock*, Kane county..... 7
Richards, Jacob P., *Avon*, Fulton county..... 4
Riggs, Alfred Longley, *Lockport*, Will county..... 7
Roberts, George Lewis, *Tremont*, Tazewell county.....2 & 12
Roberts, James Grey, *Jacksonville*, Morgan county.....12
‡Roke, Elijah J., *Fremont*, Lake county..... 6
Roy, Joseph E., *Chicago*, Cook county..... 5
Ryder, Charles E., *Wethersfield*, Henry county..... 1

*Sabin, J. G., *Pecatonica*, Winnebago county.....11
Sanders, Clarendon M., *Hinsdale*, DuPage county..... 5
Savage, George S. F., *Chicago*, Cook county..... 6
Schlosser, George, *Paxton*, Ford county..... 3
Selden, Calvin, *Aurora*, Kane county..... 1
Shipherd, Jacob R., *Chicago*, Cook county..... 5
Small, Uriel W., *Lisbon*, Kendall county..... 7
Smith, Isaac B., *Dundee*, Kane county..... 6
Smith, Stephen S., *Chicago*, Cook county..... 5
Snow, Roswell R., *Elgin*, Kane county..... 6
Stevens, Asahel A., *Peoria*, Peoria county..... 4
Stoddard, James P., *Byron*, Ogle county.....11
Sturtevant, Julian Munson, *Jacksonville*, Morgan county.....12

Taylor, Lathrop, *Farmington*, Fulton county..... 4
Thomas, C. B., *Chicago*, Cook county..... 5
Thrall, Samuel R., *La Harpe*, Hancock county.....10
Tompkins, James, *Danby*, DuPage county..... 5
Tupper, Henry Martyn, *Waverly*, Morgan county.....12
Tuthill, Edward Brewster, *Jacksonville*, Morgan county.....12

‡Underwood, Henry B., *Ringwood*, McHenry county..... 6

Van Dyke, Samuel A., *Champaign*, Champaign county..... 3
Van Wagner, James M., *Kewanee*, Henry county..... 1

*Waldo, Levi Fay, *Quincy*, Adams county.....10
Walton, Jeremiah E., *North Adams*, Massachusetts.....11
‡Warner, Pliny Fisk, *Como*, Whiteside county..... 9
†Warren, H. Vallette, *Granville*, Putnam county..... 1
Watson, Cyrus L., *Oakalla*, Iroquois county..... 3
Webb, Wilson D., *Lyndon*, Whiteside county..... 9
‖Wells, George H., *Amboy*, Lee county..... 1
West, J. W., *Tonica*, LaSalle county..... 7
White, John W., *Morrison*, Whiteside county..... 9
Whitmore, Alfred Alonzo, *Rosemond*, Christian county.....12
Whittlesey, Martin Kellogg, *Ottawa*, LaSalle county..... 7
Wilcox, Luman, *Earl*, LaSalle county..... 7
Williams, George Washington, *Adams*, Adams county.....10
Worrell, Benjamin F., *Ontario*, Knox county..... 4
Wright, Samuel Guild, *Neponset*, Bureau county..... 1
Wright, William B., *Chicago*, Cook county..... 5
Wyckoff, Alfonzo D., *Monee*, Will county..... 3
Wyckoff, James Dunham, *Walnut Grove*, Knox county..... 4
‡Wynn, William H., *Mendota*, LaSalle county..... 1

Ministers reported to the General Association *without* Post-office address:

Bristol, Richard C.....6 Day, Samuel.....9 Dickinson, Henry A.....7
Grant, Joel.....7 Harrison, Charles S.....6 Harwood, James H.....6
Hinman, H. H.....2 Smith, Edwin G.....2 Todd, David.....1

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ALPHABETICAL CATALOGUE

OF

ASSOCIATED CONGREGATIONAL CHURCHES

IN THE STATE OF ILLINOIS,

With the number of the Association in which each is to be found in the Statistical Tables.

Their location in Association and County may be found by referring to Map on the opposite page.

Abingdon....4
Albany....9
Algonquin....6
Altona....4
Amboy....1
Annawan....1
Arispe....1
Atkinson....1
Atlanta....2
Aurora, 1st Church....7
Aurora, N. Eng. C'h....7
Avon....4
Barry....10
Batavia....6
Beardstown....12
Beverly....10
Big Grove....7
Big Rock....7
Big Rock, Welsh....7
Big Woods....7
Bloomingdale....5
Blue Island....5
Brenton, P. O. Onarga 3
Brimfield....4
Bristol....7
Bruce....2
Buda....1
Bunker Hill....12
Burlington....6
Burritt....11
Byron....11
Cambridge....1
Canton....4
Carpenterville....6
Champaign....3
Chandlerville....12
Chesterfield....12
Chicago, 1st Church....5
Chicago, Plym'th C'h..5
Chicago, South C'h....5
Chicago, N. Eng. C'h..5
Chicago, Salem C'h....5
Chicago, Un. P'k. C'h..5
Chicago, Tab'cle C'h...5
Chili....10
Clifton....3
Collins....12
Como....9
Concord....12
Cornwall....1
Crete....5
Crystal Lake....6
Dallas City....10
Danby....5
Danvers....2
Deer Park....7
DeKalb....6
Dement....6
Dix, P. O. Paxton....3
Dover....1
Dundee....6
Dunleith....9
Dwight....2
Eagle Point....9
East Pawpaw....1
Eden....7
Elgin....6
Elk Grove....5
Elkhorn Grove....9
Elmore....4
Elmwood....4
El Paso....2
Evanston....5
Fall Creek, German..10
Farmington....4
Fremont....6
Galena....9
Galesburg, 1st C'h....4
Galesburg, 1st C. C'h..4
Galva....4
Gap Grove....9
Garden Prairie....6
Geneseo....8
Geneva....6
Granville....1
Gridley....2
Griggsville....10
Hamilton....10
Hampton....8
Harvard....11
Henry....4
Hillsboro....12
Hinsdale....5
Homer....7
Hoyleton....12
Huntley....6
Jacksonville....12
Jefferson....5
Jericho....7
Kaneville....6
Kankakee....3
Kewanee....1
Knoxville....4
Lacon....4
Lafayette....4
La Harpe....10
Lamoille....1
Lanark....9
LaSalle....1
Lawn Ridge....4
Lee Center....1
Lincoln....2
Lisbon....7
Lisle....5
Lockport....7
*Loda, P. O. Oakalla....3
Lodi....6
Lyndon....9
Lyonsville....5
Macomb....10
Malden....1
Malta....6
Manteno....3
Marengo....6
Marseilles....7
McLean....2
Meadon....10
Meadota....1
Metamora....2
Milburn....6
Milo....1
Moline....8
Monee....3
Montebello....10
Morris....7
Morrison....9
Morton....2
Munro....6
Naperville....7
Nebraska....2
Neponset....1
Nettle Creek....7
Newark....7
New Berlin....12
New Rutland....2
Newtown....10
Nora....9
Normal....2
Odell....2
Onarga....3
Oneida....4
Ontario....4
Osceola....1
Oswego....7
Ottawa, 1st Church....7
Ottawa, Plym'th C'h..7
Owen....11
Paxton....3
Payson....10
Pecatonica....11
Peoria....4
Peru....1
Pittsfield....10
Plainfield....7
Plymouth....10
Poplar Grove....11
Port Byron....8
Prairie City....4
Princeton....1
Providence....1
Quincy, 1st Church....10
Quincy, Center C'h....10
Quincy, (Ger. Cong.)....10
Rantoul....3
Riley....6
Ringw'd, & McHenry....6
Rockford, First C'h....11
Rockford, Second C'h....11
Rockport and Summer Hill....10
Rockton....11
Roscoe....11
Rosefield....4
Rosemond....12
Roseville....4
Salem....4
Sandoval....12
Sandwich....7
Sanmanin....2
Seward....11
Sheffield....1
Shirland....11
Springfield....12
St. Charles....6
Sterling....9
Stillman Valley, P. O. Hale....11
Sycamore....6
Tonica....7
Toulon....4
Tremont....2
Turner....6
Twin Grove....1
Udina....6
Union....6
Vermillion....7
Vermont....4
Victoria....4
Vienna....7
Viola....4
Wataga....4
Waukegan....5
Wauponsie....7
Waverly....12
Wayne....6
West Point....10
Wethersfield....1
Wheaton....7
Winnebago....11
Woodburn....12
Woodstock....5
Wyanet....1
Wythe....10

*In Statistical Table, on page 31, this Church is called *Oakalla*. Total, 221.

Unassociated Congregational Churches on the Map.—Babcock's Grove; Chicago, Lincoln Park Church; Downer's Grove—all soon to unite with the Chicago Association—3. The figure following Chicago on the Map should be 8 instead of 7, including the new church, named above.